

Vital Legislation Forecast As Session Opens

First Session As Premier



Premier Byron Johnson, 57-year-old native son of Victoria, smilingly this afternoon began his arduous duties as government leader for the session of the British Columbia Legislative Assembly, which is expected to continue for the next eight weeks. The session which opened today is the first since Mr. Johnson became Premier 10 weeks ago.

Growing Anti-Soviet Wave Now Sweeping Scandinavia

OSLO (AP) — A wave of anti-Soviet sentiment swept Scandinavia today as resentment mounted against the Communist coup in Czechoslovakia and Russian pressure on Finland.

In Norway, Denmark and Sweden the feeling manifested itself in mass demonstrations and press attacks against the spread of Communism over Europe.

STUDENTS IN STREETS

Thousands of students here outside the Czechoslovak legation, later marching to the "People's House," where a Communist youth organization was celebrating the Czech coup.

Political leaders said anti-Communist feeling was running higher in Norway than at any time since the end of the war.

In Denmark, pro-Russian after liberation from the Nazis, the Soviet demand on Finland was denounced in the press.

"Danger is closing in on Scandinavia," said the conservative National-Tidende.

H. C. Hansen, Danish foreign minister, said:

"We do not believe in a state community where people live as slaves... we will join in efforts to build up a strong defence which will show that Denmark wants to remain a free country."

MUTUAL SUPPORT URGED

In traditionally neutral Sweden, the press came out strongly for more effective co-operation with the western states.

"By sticking together loyally," the Liberal Goeteborg Handels-Tidning said, "democracies can prevent Russia from subduing one country after another. Every one knows the United States must be the core of this resistance. But a condition is also that western Europe does not degenerate, but places herself as a strong partner by America's side."

Norway is the only European country with a Russian frontier that has remained independent of the Soviet sphere of influence.

Wismar Appoints Board To Settle Coal Strike

A three-man industrial disputes commission was appointed today by Labor Minister Wismar to seek settlement of the strike of 1,300 coal miners on Vancouver Island.

E. S. H. Winn of Vancouver, formerly conciliating officer in the dispute, will be chairman with Knox Walker, Vancouver barrister, representing the operators, and Herbert Cargrave, C.C.F. member of the Legislature for Mackenzie representing the men.

The miners, employed by Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir) Ltd. and members of the United Mine Workers of America (C.I.O.), have been on strike since Jan. 14.

The operators some time ago rejected the Alberta settlement formula of a \$2-a-day pay boost, which has union approval.

Husband Made Fine Substitute Teacher

PORT ALBERNI (CP)—The old saying, "When the cat is away the mice will play" didn't hold true for pupils at the Gill School here.

When a woman teacher at the school was sick Monday she sent her husband along to substitute for her. Senior principal J. Jamieson approved the move after he had visited the school with the intention of closing it and found the husband doing "a capable job."



Fifty youthful ratings of the Royal Canadian Navy from H.M.C.S. Naden, commanded by Lt.-Cmdr. (G.) Ted Shaw, R.C.N., formed one of the two guards of honor for Lieutenant-Governor Charles A. Banks for opening of the B.C. Legislature this afternoon.

LATEST

Fatally Injured

ST. ANDRE, Que. (CP)—Engineer Boucher of the Canadian National Railways Maritime Express was fatally injured today when the crack Halifax-Montreal train was derailed near this little station 17 miles from Riviere du Loup.

Two Banks Robbed

MONTREAL (CP)—Provincial Police reported in mid-afternoon that two bank branches in near-by Boucherville and Chambly had been held up by armed men. The Banque Provinciale du Canada branch at Boucherville was the first visited. Thirty minutes later came the report of the second hold-up at Chambly.

Train Derailed

ST. ANDRE, Que. (CP)—The Maritime Express, bound from Halifax to Montreal, was derailed about noon today when several passenger coaches left the track. It could not be immediately ascertained if there were any casualties.

St. Andre is about 17 miles from Riviere du Loup in Kamouraska County on the Canadian National main line.

Braund Promises 2 Vancouver Women 'Years Of Life'

SYDNEY, Australia (C)—John Braund, 78-year-old Sydney layman who claims to have discovered a cancer cure, expects to make his first examination of two British Columbia women cancer sufferers within the next few days, it was learned today.

Mrs. Ruth McIntyre, 33, and Mrs. Anne Northam, 36, both of Vancouver, flew the Pacific last week to take the Braund treatment.

They have visited Braund three times for treatment, which has consisted so far of bathing their feet in hot water and massaging their toes. "The process is part of the Braund method and the proposed treatment is to determine the effect."

Braund, without examining them, has told reporters he can give them "many more years of life, if not a complete cure."

He is co-operating to a degree with a medical board set up by the New South Wales government to investigate his methods. But a spokesman for the medical board said today it is difficult to get Braund's patients to submit to examination by board physicians.

With co-operation from Braund and his patients, the committee expects to announce its findings within a few weeks.

Mrs. Northam and Mrs. McIntyre today told the Canadian Press the hot Australian climate was agreeing with them, making them feel much better.

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Premier King Says Attack On Hongkong Not Foreseen

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister King denied in the Commons this afternoon that either he or the government knew, before the sailing of the Hongkong expedition in 1941, that war was imminent in the Pacific.

In his statement, he said:

"The press report, apart from certain allegations, contains certain statements respecting myself as Prime Minister which are not in accord with the facts."

"With respect to Hongkong, it is in effect alleged that after the government of Japan changed on Oct. 16, 1941, and before the expedition sailed on Oct. 27, I received messages from the United Kingdom government in the nature of the most complete warning of the probability of early hostilities."

"Not only is such a statement not correct, but the fact is that both before and after the expedition sailed and, indeed, until the very eve of the Japanese attack, such information as I received from the British authorities was to the effect that an early attack upon Hongkong was not anticipated."

"In my opinion, such information as the Canadian government received at the time from the British authorities is in complete accord with the finding of the commissioner, Chief Justice Duff, in his report, namely, that 'the best informed opinion available to the Canadian authorities was that hostilities would not arise in the near future.'"

John Bracken, Progressive Conservative leader, asked Mr.

Early Restoration Of Ferries Indicated

SEATTLE (AP) — Possible early restoration of ferry service from Seattle to Port Angeles and Port Townsend cheered northern Olympic Peninsula commuters today as they and other "stranded" west sound residents were going through the second day of Puget Sound's ferry tie-up.

Capt. Alex M. Peabody, Puget Sound Navigation Company president, said he would make application in Olympia today to operate the luxury ferry Chinook from Seattle to the two northern cities. He emphasized, however, that service would be "at rates in excess of those previously in effect."

He made this disclosure after Governor Wallgren announced that service would be resumed of the run.

Paul Revelle, head of the state's department of transportation, said the possibility of the state operating a Puget Sound ferry system was being considered.

Old-Time Duncan Resident Killed In Road Accident

Arthur Bernard Sanders, 63, old-time resident of Duncan, was instantly killed and four other persons from the up-island city were injured in three accidents which occurred within a radius of 12 miles of Duncan last night and this morning.

Cpl. F. L. Jeeves of the Provincial Police in Duncan reported Sanders was riding his bicycle down hill on Drinkwater Road this morning when he was knocked off by a passing truck. The truck was reported to be driven by Jack F. Powell, Duncan.

Two trucks were following Sanders down the hill, according to the story told police. The first blew its horn and the cyclist moved over to allow it to pass. The one driven by Powell also gave a warning signal, but in passing the side of the truck apparently came in contact with the bicycle.

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damaged. Ronald C. Dickie, Duncan, Mutual Life Insurance agent up-island, the driver of one was the worst injured. He suffered a fractured jaw and other injuries. The Dickie car was traveling south and met a car driven by Allen H. Heyd, Deerholme, traveling north when the former pulled over to pass a parked truck on his side of the road. Constable Ross said. Then the collision came. Heyd was only slightly injured.

Paul Williams, Duncan, one of the passengers in Dickie's car was less injured than the driver. One of the two women passengers in this car was also injured and sent to hospital. They were first taken to the Solarium where Dr. J. U. Coleman, Duncan, attended them.

The passengers in the Dickie car were bound for Victoria to see the basketball playoff between Duncan and Brentwood.

At 11:30 this morning Jack LaFortune of the Pike Bros. logging operations in the Cobble Hill area suffered a broken leg. Police took him to Duncan hospital where he is being attended by Dr. Coleman.

Greater Social Security, Hospital Aid Indicated In Speech From Throne

Radio-Engineer Strike Affects 8 Ships In B.C.

VANCOUVER (CP)—Eight deep-sea ships in British Columbia—seven of them in Vancouver and one in New Westminster—are affected by the strike of engineer and radio officers which went into effect last midnight.

The tie-up, affecting 750 officers and 150 Canadian deep-sea vessels, was announced by Dennis Heard, president of the National Association of Marine Engineers, and John A. Holmes, national president of the Canadian Communications Association. The two union heads report none of their officers will sign on further ocean ships.

Some ships now in port in Vancouver have only partial engineer and radio officer crews signed on. Union leaders say these crews will not be completed.

An officers' union spokesman said: "This strike is perfectly legal—we have been through all the necessary proceedings, including conciliation."

Holmes said the strike would tie up practically every deep-sea Canadian ship operating from both coasts. Vessels at sea would tie up when they returned to port.

He said shipowners, represented by the Shipping Federation of Canada and the Shipping Association (Deepsea) of B.C. had given a "take-it-or-leave-it" final offer for a new agreement.

This offer, flatly rejected, included about 11 per cent wage boosts, plus other terms found unsuitable by the men. The C.A.A. president said the wage boost amounted to about \$25 monthly while officers were asking a "basic monthly wage increase of \$35 a month."

Victoria so far remains unaffected by the strike. No deep-sea ships are at present berthed here and none has been scheduled to arrive within the next few days.

Shipping officials here, commenting on the strike, said it was not expected to do much harm. Apart from lumber, there is relatively little made in the way of deep-sea shipments and lumber shipments have been slowing down considerably. In any case, as lumber contracts with the United Kingdom near expiration.

ON ATLANTIC COAST

HALIFAX (CP)—A Vancouver strike called by Jack Holmes, president of the Canadian Communications Association, appeared to have caught both union members and shipowners off balance at this port today.

There were no indications yet of the strike of engineers and radio officers aboard ocean-going ships going into effect although nine ships at Halifax were expected to be tied up.

Condon Did Not Know Top Secrets In Atomic Field

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Commerce Department's loyalty board files concerning Dr. Edward P. Condon were ordered subpoenaed today by Chairman J. Parnell Thomas, Rep., N.J., of the House of Representatives Un-American Activities Committee.

As Thomas acted to obtain records in the case, the Atomic Energy Commission told a Senate-House committee that Condon had no access to top atomic secrets.

Senator Bourke Hickenlooper, Rep., Ia., said the commission reported that Condon had not been cleared for access to its restricted files.

(See story "U.S. House Committee Scores," Page 3.)

Blue-jacketed members of the Royal Canadian Navy and scarlet-coated members of The Canadian Scottish Regiment presented arms, army and navy bands played the National Anthem and cannon boomed a 15-gun salute. In bright sunshine before the massive grey pile of the Parliament Buildings here the ceremonial opening of the third session of British Columbia's 21st Legislative Assembly began at 3 this afternoon.

The Speech from the Throne indicated vital legislation on a wide variety of subjects would be considered at this session. A greater measure of social security than now enjoyed was forecast.

It hinted that relief may be forthcoming for British Columbia's hospitals which have been faced with skyrocketing costs since the end of the war.

To Help Fish Industry

Plans for a new biological laboratory to develop B.C.'s fishing industry, and overhauling of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1947, and the legislation governing the mining industry were also promised.

"Ample provision will be made for the further improvement of our main highways and the completion of major public works projects already undertaken," said the Speech.

Hon. Charles A. Banks in the civil uniform of the Lieutenant-Governor, arrived before the Legislative Assembly buildings promptly at 3 with his three aide-de-camps, representing the three armed services of the nation, and his private secretary.

After stepping from his car, officers in charge of the two guards, 50 members of the 1st Battalion, The Canadian Scottish Regiment, and 50 new ratings from H.M.C.S. Naden, gave the order: "Royal salute, present arms."

With the completion of the present arms, three bands, a pipe band of the Scottish, and army and navy brass bands, struck up the National Anthem. As the strains of the sixth bar died away the cannon boomed out the salute, fired in blank across the Inner Harbor by members of the 5th B.C. Coast Brigade, which had drawn up four 25-pounders on Belleville Street.

His Honor then retired, accompanied by his aides.

Premier Johnson then rose, making the motion "that Robert Henry Carson, Esquire, member for Kamloops electoral district, do take the Speaker's chair, and preside over the meetings of this assembly."

The motion was put to the House by R. S. Yates. Mr. Carson was led to the speaker's throne by the premier.

Shortly afterward the Lieutenant-Governor returned and formally opened the session by reading the Speech from the Throne.

The session opened, His Honor left the House, preceded by the Sergeant-at-Arms with the mace under his arm and followed by his escort and personal retinue.

Prayers then were read and the first piece of legislation introduced by Attorney-General Gordon S. Wismar and put through first reading. The motion giving the debate on the Speech from the Throne "precedence over all other business, except introduction of bills, until disposed of" was made by Finance Minister Herbert Anscombe and seconded by Lands and Forests Minister E. T. Kenney.

Mr. Pearson and Education Minister W. T. Straith made the motion calling for the votes and proceedings of the House to be published.

Mr. Johnson and Works Minister E. C. Carson moved that eight select standing committees of the House be appointed and that the committee to select the committees be composed of: J. L. Webster, Coalition, Rossland-Trail, chairman; Dr. J. J. Gillis, Coalition, Yale; W. A. C. Bennett, Coalition, South Okanagan; H. J. Welch, Coalition, Comox, and Opposition Leader Harold E. Winch.

Reports of the various departments of government then were presented and then the House, in a standing silent vote, expressed approval to the motion, put by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Winch.

"That this House express its sincere regret at the death of Louis LeBourdais," for many years a member of this Assembly for the electoral district of Cariboo, and that the clerk do convey to Mrs. LeBourdais and her family the condolences and sincere sympathy of the Legislative Assembly."

Mr. Johnson then adjourned the House until 3 Wednesday afternoon, when Mrs. Nancy Hodges, Victoria Coalition member, will move the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, and Air Vice Marshal L. F. Stevenson, Coalition member for Vancouver-Point Grey, will second the motion.

"The debate on the Speech from the Throne is expected to take about 10 days or two weeks. On Thursday Opposition Leader Harold E. Winch will open his attack on the government, by leading off the opposition members in the debate.

In charge of the guards of honor for the opening ceremony were Lt.-Cmdr. (G.) Ted Shaw, R.C.N., with Lieut. W. A. Mansfield, his second in command, and Maj. E. S. C. Archibald, with Capt. C. Milson as second in command. The naval band was directed by Lt.-Cmdr. (SB) H. G. Cuthbert.

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OVER the FENCE
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"There's one notable fact about the Communists and their fellow-travellers," said the Old Timer this morning. "Anyone who questions their policies or activities in the slightest degree is immediately called a witch-hunter, a red-baiter, or a hidebound reactionary."

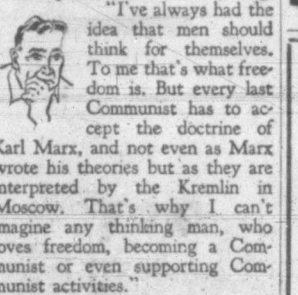
"Most of the people I know aren't like that. They are willing to think, even about the things the Communists say, and sometimes those are foolish enough. They are willing to concede the other fellow may know something they don't know, or have thought things through to a different, and maybe a worthwhile conclusion. But not the Communists."

"To the Communists and most of their fellow-travellers, everyone who is not with them a hundred per cent, right to the crossing of the last 'I' and the dotting of the last 'I' is a tool of reaction, a hireling of the big interests, or, at best, a stupid fool."

"I've seen men who were wide awake, earnestly seeking out the faults in our economic system and striving to remedy them, men who were reformers in the truest sense of the word, called reactionaries, and worse, because they couldn't accept the idea that Karl Marx had the complete answer to everything."

"I've always had the idea that men should think for themselves. To me that's what freedom is. But every last Communist has to accept the doctrine of Karl Marx, and not even as Marx wrote his theories but as they are interpreted by the Kremlin in Moscow. That's why I can't imagine any thinking man, who loves freedom, becoming a Communist or even supporting Communist activities."

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Liberals Support Publisher's Appeal To Restore Fair

A resolution urging the re-institution of an annual fair to start this year if possible, was unanimously adopted at a meeting of Victoria, Esquimalt and Oak Bay Liberal Associations Monday.

The resolution was endorsed after the members had heard G. I. Edgelow, publisher of Island Events, speak on the benefits of an annual fair.

A fair, said Mr. Edgelow, was the "show window of the district" and beneficial to both rural and urban populations.

"The annual fair does a good thing by stimulating interest in the minds of the young," said Mr. Edgelow. "The young mind is more benefited by learning how to skin a rabbit for instance, than how to skin a customer. And a knowledge of how to grow wheat is likely to prove more profitable in the long run than a knowledge of how to play the wheat market."

Mr. Edgelow pointed out annual fairs interested women, particularly those who liked to flaunt their cooking and other household crafts.

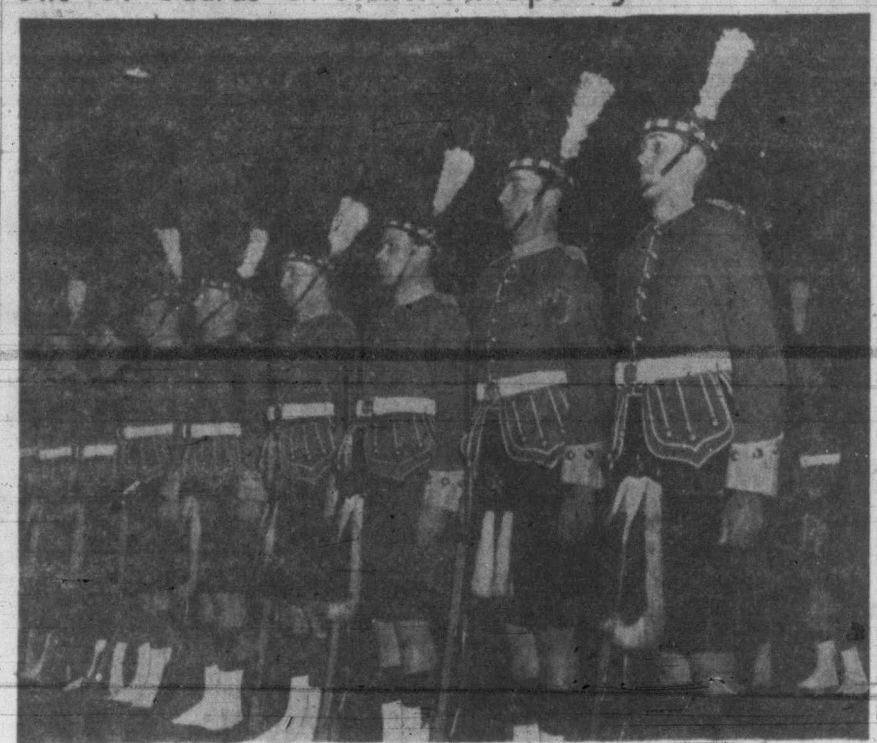
Mr. Edgelow said that sometimes fairs failed because they were too elaborate and costly. "They get away from rural simplicity and the original idea of fairs," he said. "Fairs are at their best and most successful when they give prominence to agriculture and husbandry."

He added that annual fairs helped to keep money at home and gave local merchants and manufacturers a chance to show what they could do. Moreover, there was an intercourse between merchant and manufacturer on the one hand and the customer on the other.

"And this brings us to the deciding factor regarding an annual fair," he said. "In essence it is a gesture of friendship of which all in the community may avail themselves. By all means let us have always an annual fair."

J. H. Rutten, also addressed the meeting. Capt. D. J. Proudfoot, president of the Liberal Association, was in the chair.

One Of Guards Of Honor At Opening



Crimson-coated members of the 1st Battalion, The Canadian Scottish Regiment, today formed one of two guards of honor for Lieutenant-Governor Charles A. Banks during the colorful ceremony before the Parliament Buildings preceding the opening of the third session of the 21st Legislative Assembly of British Columbia. Fifty strong, the Scottish guard turned out in full dress uniform, accompanied by its pipe and drum band and a brass military band.

Education Standards Fall If School Costs Cut, Says Curtis

"I don't know what we will do now," Austin I. Curtis, chairman of the Greater Victoria School Board, said today, as he learned that the Victoria City Council had turned down the school board estimates.

"We cannot cut the estimates any further without cutting the services in the schools and lowering our standard of education in Victoria," Mr. Curtis commented, "and it is doubtful if the citizens, particularly parents, will want to stand for that."

The whole question will come up for discussion at the school board meeting March 15.

Mr. Curtis thought the matter might have to go to arbitration. The City Council is given 30 days from Feb. 15 to accept school estimates or have them arbitrated by a three-man board, according to procedure set out in the School Act.

Teachers salaries cannot be cut in the estimates, as an arbitration board recently made a decision granting increases, binding on both parties. "We cut estimates as far as we could before submitting them to the council, and cut out many things which are really necessary," Mr. Curtis said. "Any further cuts will have to come in maintenance I guess, and our schools are in poor shape now."

He explained that all school supplies had gone up in price by 50 to 100 per cent. "If we have

the Queen Charlottes by afternoon.

Vancouver and Lower Fraser Valley—Clear today, tonight and Wednesday with clouds increasing to overcast in the evening. Light winds. Little change in temperature.

Straight of Georgia—Variable cloudiness, clearing before noon. Clear tonight and tomorrow morning, becoming overcast by Wednesday evening. Winds northwesterly 15. Little change in temperature.

West Coast Vancouver Island—Clear today, tonight and tomorrow morning, becoming overcast in the afternoon. Winds light, increasing to northwest 15 early Wednesday. Little change in temperature.

	To 9 a.m.	Today	Temp.
Montreal	6	18	10
Toronto	12	28	10
North Bay	5	24	10
Port Arthur	17	25	08
Winnipeg	11	12	02
Brandon	10	13	02
The Pas	9	7	02
Regina	1	6	02
Saskatoon	1	9	10
Calgary	4	20	01
Edmonton	1	40	01
Kamloops	21	29	01
Penticton	23	42	04
Vancouver	30	46	04
Prince Rupert	30	39	04
Prince George	4	22	16
Seattle	35	39	14
Portland	36	40	13
Spokane	29	42	14
Chicago	27	29	47
Los Angeles	37	62	47
New York	28	31	14

Weather

Temperatures along the B.C. coast dropped to the low 30's overnight as skies cleared behind yesterday's storm. Below zero readings are frequent this morning in the northern and central sections of the province where cloudy skies and widely scattered snow flurries are expected to continue. Increasing cloudiness is expected over the coast tomorrow with rain commencing over

New Speaker Of Legislature



Mr. Speaker Robert Henry Carson, elder brother of Works Minister E. C. Carson, this afternoon was elected Speaker of the British Columbia Legislative Assembly. The member for Kamloops, who will preside over the 48-member Legislature, succeeds Mr. Justice Norman W. Whittaker, K.C., who last fall was appointed to the B.C. Supreme Court bench after serving for 10 years as Speaker of the Legislature.

May Alter Income Tax Bill Before Its Reintroduction

TORONTO (CP)—Finance Minister Abbott said last night that Bill 454—the new income tax bill—"may be altered considerably prior to its reintroduction" in the House of Commons.

Suggested alterations will not change the "general set-up" of the bill, he said in an address to the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario, but "we still have a completely open mind on many points in the bill as it now stands."

Mr. Abbott said he considers Bill 454 "a great improvement over the present Income War Tax Act which itself, is not, on the whole, a bad statute."

The new bill, introduced at the last session of Parliament, will be reintroduced this session for enactment.

Mr. Abbott said drafters of the new bill had studied "very carefully" suggestion that the wartime act was too complex, "particularly in its arrangement and in its language."

"It was suggested the new law could be made much more clear by separating all the provisions which concerned the average individual from those which concerned large, highly-complex corporations, and writing both divisions in simple language rather than in legal jargon."

"The drafters... came to the conclusion, with which I am in complete agreement, that it should not be done."

Complexities arose mainly from two factors: the desire to achieve greater fairness by introduction of exceptions, qualifications and conditions; and the fact that in "a great many cases" the individual's income comes from more than one source.

Senator Robicheau Dies In Quebec

QUEBEC (CP)—Senator John Louis Philip Robicheau, 73, of Maxwellton, N.S., died in hospital here Monday. A life-long Conservative, he was the first French Canadian to second a Speech from the Throne in the Nova Scotia Legislature, which he did in 1926.

He was born in Meteghan, N.S. His paternal forebears came to Canada in 1628.

His wife was the former Mary F. Surrette of Hectanooga, N.S. There are a daughter and two sons.

Mr. Robicheau was a lumber merchant and was interested also in farming. He was summoned to the Senate in July, 1935.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Chiropodist, W. J. Fraser, D.S.C., 201 Pemberton Bldg. B 3252.

Hear Father MacNell at Queen of Peace Church this evening at 7.30.

Ladies Auxiliary of the United Commercial Travelers will hold a rummage sale Wednesday, March 3, in the City Market.

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Throne Speech Points To Busy Session Of House

Text of the Speech from the Throne read by Lieutenant-Governor Banks at the opening of the B.C. Legislature this afternoon follows:

In welcoming you to the third session of the 21st Parliament of British Columbia, I do so with the sincere hope that the business of my government will continue to prosper under the new leadership brought about since last year met.

Retirement of Mr. John Hart from the position of Prime Minister, I am sure, is regretted by all. His unselfish devotion to the public service during a period of 22 years is unequalled in the history of British Columbia. The continued confidence of the people which he has enjoyed is in itself a tribute to his integrity and an indication of the high esteem in which he is held. I feel sure that I express the sentiments of my people in wishing him every enjoyment of those years of leisure to which he is justly entitled. His successor, undoubtedly inspired by the same unselfish motives, and I wish

him every success in the new responsibilities he has assumed. During the past year, Her Royal Highness, the Princess Elizabeth was united in marriage with His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh. This event was received with heartfelt joy by my government, on behalf of the people, extended warm felicitations to the happy couple, accompanied by an appropriate gift as a token of our affection and an expression of our good wishes.

Since last you met, we have lost two members of the Legislature, one through elevation in the public service and the other by death.

The appointment of Hon. N. W. Whittaker, K.C., former Speaker of the Legislature to the Supreme Court of British Columbia, is indeed a fitting tribute to him as a jurist. His impartiality in ruling on many important questions coming before this Assembly won for him the admiration of all.

The passing of Mr. Louis LeBourdais has removed from our midst a member who was held in high esteem by his colleagues. We extend to his family our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

It was my pleasure recently to appoint a new Minister of the Crown in the person of the Hon. W. T. Straith, K.C., who succeeds Dr. G. M. Weir as Minister of Education. I am confident that Mr. Straith will discharge his important duties with the same depth of understanding that marked the administration of his predecessor.

I am advised by my government that two new members have been elected to the Legislature and I take this opportunity of congratulating Arthur Ash and Walter Hogg, upon their being chosen as representatives of the Saanich and Cariboo constituencies, respectively.

The convening of this Legislature marks the anniversary of an important historic event. It is fifty years ago that the present Parliament Buildings were officially opened. Much has been accomplished since that date, and I am confident that the passage of another 50 years will witness development far surpassing anything experienced in the history of the province.

It is with gratification that I note the representations made to the Dominion Government recently in connection with the establishment of an even greater measure of social security than my people now enjoy. The encouraging reception accorded the plea of my government I am sure has been most welcome to my people.

The serious condition of the hospital situation is engaging the attention of my government, and

proposals are being studied with a view to finding a solution to this problem.

Careful study has been given to a number of provincial-municipal problems as well as the rising cost of social security and other important public services. My government is aware of the situation created thereby, and propose to place before you measures designed to alleviate this situation.

It is the intention of my government to submit for your approval legislation revising and amending our labor laws, thereby bringing into effect further improvements in employer-employee relations which is so desirable.

Further benefits will be extended through increases in certain allowances granted those coming within the scope of the Workmen's Compensation Act.

Important amendments to the Forest Act will be submitted thereby improving the economy of this important industry and widening the scope of the sustained yield program.

Ample provision will be made for the further improvement of our main highways and the completion of major public works projects already undertaken.

Amending legislation governing agricultural matters will be submitted with a view to improving this important basic industry.

You will be asked to give approval to legislation, the main purpose of which will be to introduce a new method of admission to our mental hospitals and to provide a clinic for treatment of patients who may be saved thereby from the stigma of being committed to a mental institution. Other legislation dealing with welfare matters will be placed before you.

You will be advised of the steps taken to provide new technical personnel and facilities for the B.C. Scientific and Industrial Research Council in order to deal with problems relating to industrial chemistry, physics, applied biology, mining and other important fields of research.

Establishment of a new biological laboratory to develop our fishing industry, I am sure will commend itself to you.

Amendments to existing legislation governing the mining industry, will be submitted.

The development of hydro-electric power for the interior of the province as well as on Vancouver Island is progressing favorably.

The public accounts will be presented and estimates for the ensuing year will be submitted.

Legislation affecting many branches of public service of a character designed to improve existing acts will be placed before you.

I pray that the blessing of Divine Providence may rest upon your labors.

U.S. House Committee Scores Senior Atomic Scientist

WASHINGTON (AP) — A report charging that the head of the United States Government's Bureau of Standards is "one of the weakest links in our atomic security" spurred two congressional committees into action today.

Dr. Edward U. Condon, 46-year-old scientist so accused by a House of Representatives subcommittee, retorted:

"This is gratifying information because I'm absolutely reliable and therefore we have nothing to worry about."

To an accompanying charge that he "knowingly or unknowingly entertained and associated with alleged Russian spies, Condon commented to a reporter:

"That's just too vague to talk about. I certainly didn't do it knowingly."

The House group contended that the Bureau of Standards, as the testing ground for some of the country's top secrets, "has become the target of espionage agents of numerous foreign powers."

The committee noted that Condon had been appointed head of the bureau Nov. 5, 1945, on the recommendation of Henry Wallace, then Secretary of Commerce.

The report said:

"In this country they (Communists) haven't gotten as far

as they did in Czechoslovakia, but they got pretty far, because they got a man as Vice-President of the United States, and he is now their candidate for President, and he is the same man who recommended Dr. Condon as director of the Bureau of Standards."

OTHERS WATCHED

"There are other government officials in strategic positions who are playing Stalin's game to the detriment of the United States. The evidence before our subcommittee . . . indicates very strongly that there is in operation at the present time in the United States an extensive Soviet espionage ring."

Meanwhile, from the hospital where he is under treatment for a stomach ailment, Representative J. Parnell Thomas (Rep. N.J.), indicated he may call a bedside meeting of the full Un-American Activities Committee.

Reporters were told the President would have no comment. The Federal Bureau of Investigation also was silent.

The Un-American Activities group recommended that Condon either be removed or a statement should be forthcoming from the Secretary of Commerce setting forth the reasons why he has retained Dr. Condon in view of the derogatory information which he has had before him."

Co-operation With Reds Said To Lead To Loss Of Freedom

WASHINGTON (AP) — At the moment Communists were tightening their clutch on his country, the Czech ambassador to the United States, Juraj Slavik, said that "our main danger and political danger is still Germany."

Finland's minister, Dr. K. T. Jutila, at the same time said that "we have not a real iron curtain."

Both, in talking with representatives Charles Kersten (Rep. Wis.) and Richard Nixon (Rep. Calif.), said democratic elements have been able to work with Communists in their countries and get along with them.

But for the future the diplomats made no definite predictions.

The two United States Congressmen made the round of embassies of seven countries living under the Red shadow. They also interviewed diplomats from Poland, Yugoslavia, Romania, Hungary and Bulgaria.

They said they had come away convinced:

1. That "co-operation with Communists means capture by Communists."

2. That "no amount of economic aid alone can keep Russia out," and hence the Marshall

Plan must be reinforced with military alliances.

They saw Dr. Jutila just before Russia made her move for a non-aggression pact with Finland. They found him more outspoken than most of the other diplomats, but he gave no direct answer when Kersten asked:

"Is it possible, that something similar to what is happening in Czechoslovakia might take place in Finland?"

A few minutes earlier, however, he had said:

"We have not a real iron curtain. We can speak freely and publish freely. I can't say how it will be in the future."

Slavik, former cabinet minister and veteran diplomat, was more reserved and obviously disturbed.

"It is very difficult to talk in the light of developments, to say anything definite," he remarked.

But he did say his country regards Germany as the chief danger and is fearful the Marshall Plan might result in rebuilding Germany's war power.

Chin Law, Chinese, was found guilty by Magistrate H. C. Hall on a charge of supplying an intoxicant to an Indian woman and was fined \$50 and \$5 costs in city police court today.

To Speak Friday



Henry G. Birks, president of Henry Birks & Sons Ltd., and grandson of the founder of the firm, will address the annual meeting of the Victoria and Vancouver Island branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, Friday night at 6:30, at the Empress Hotel. Mr. Birks is the eldest son of the present chairman of the board, William Massey Birks. He served with the Black Watch in the First World War and has been president of the Montreal Board of Trade. He instituted the "Old Guard," an association of members of the staff of Henry Birks & Sons Ltd., who had completed 25 years' of service.

Finn Communists Organize Unions To Support Pact

HELSINKI (AP) — Finland's Communists today began organizing factory and trade union meetings to support a military pact with Russia.

The Communist organ Tyokansan Sanomat said workers favor a friendship and assistance treaty with the Soviet Union because it is the best way to guarantee the interests of Finland and the cause of peace.

The first of the factory meetings being organized by the Communists were held Monday at Turku and Tampere, two important industrial centres.

The Turku metal workers adopted a resolution recommending acceptance of the military pact. The resolution said "we must take a friend's hand if it is offered."

Political leaders held closed sessions to discuss whether Finland should negotiate with the Russians and what the consequences would be, particularly in the west. They hope to have their answers ready for President Juho Paasikivi tomorrow.

The attitude of two important parties — the Agrarians and Social Democrats — is expected to be made clear tomorrow.

The 28 Conservatives in Parliament already have voiced tentative opposition to the proposal.

Hunter Loses Life

COURTENAY (CP) — Albert Stewart, well-known sportsman of the Comox district, attempted to recover a decoy which had gone adrift, but overturned his skiff and was drowned.

Stewart and two friends had gone hunting Sunday. The friends, Murray Abernethy and John Green, attempted to reach Stewart, who clung to the overturned skiff, but the hunter disappeared in the rough water before they could reach him.

Stewart was married and leaves three children. He was employed by the Comox Logging Company.

A \$10 fine and one month's suspension of his driver's license was imposed against Andrew H. Olson in city police court today when he was found guilty on a charge of dangerous driving. He was in collision with a vehicle at the intersection of Comorant and Government Streets on Feb. 22.

Social Evening Following the business meeting of Princess Patricia Lodge, No. 238, in the K. of P. Hall recently, a social evening was enjoyed and refreshments served. Mrs. E. Tapley presided and plans were made to hold a meeting this Friday at 8 in the K. of P. Hall following the birthday banquet at 6.

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Net Revenue Surplus In 1947 Largest In History Of B.C.

British Columbia government during the fiscal year ended March 31, 1947, enjoyed the largest net revenue surplus in the history of the province.

This was shown this afternoon by Finance Minister Herbert Anscomb when he tabled the public accounts of the government at the opening of the legislative assembly. The public accounts showed that current income for the fiscal year totaled \$56,817,945, exceeding current expenditures of \$46,315,294 by \$10,502,651.

But the statistics released by the finance minister showed that the provincial government during that year dipped deeply into its revenue surplus account, spending \$4,632,480 altogether.

The balance sheet for the province showed provincial assets amounting to \$332,109,651, an increase of \$17,061,770 over assets at the same time during the previous year. On the other hand liabilities increased by \$9,889,297 to \$257,059,092.

The surplus by way of excess assets over liabilities rose from \$67,878,078 to \$75,050,558 or by \$7,172,480, the accounts showed.

Mr. Anscomb noted that all but \$4,305,000 of the revenue surplus account had been definitely committed. But actual expenditures of those commitments left unspent at March 31, 1947, \$27,844,352.

During the year the province spent \$15,019,142 from capital borrowings, including almost \$5,000,000 for highways and \$7,613,350 for the B.C. Power Commission.

Expenditures from the revenue surplus account during the year included \$238,864 for increases in cost-of-living bonuses for old-age pensions; \$75,000 as a grant for construction of emergency accommodation at the University of B.C.; \$1,000,000 to offset in part shortages in the provincial sinking fund account; \$109,530 for grants in aid of mining roads and trails, and \$2,074,522 for roads, bridges, ferries, paving, garages, machinery and gravel crushing.

The balance sheet listed assets as including \$20,205,430 invested for redemption of B.C. stock and debentures, \$20,182,913 for buildings and furnishings, \$85,089,500 for highways, \$7,021,979 for bridges, \$10,694 for wharves, and \$1,067,673 for ferries and ferry landings.

Assets listed under projects, loans and advances included

\$105,733,676 advanced to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, \$2,273,325 for properties acquired under the Soldiers' Land Act, 1918; \$9,161,350 to the B.C. Power Commission; \$4,976,735 for the Land Settlement Board, \$2,184,937 for the University Endowment Lands Administration Account, \$1,449,376 for conservation fund.

6 Cars Impounded In Vancouver Area

VANCOUVER (CP) — Six automobiles have been seized in Vancouver and Burnaby since British Columbia's new Financial Responsibility Insurance Act came into effect Monday.

Police impounded five cars here and one in Burnaby after accidents in which five persons were injured. Damage of more than \$25 was done to at least one of the cars in each of the impoundings.

Worst accident was in Burnaby in which the five were injured, none seriously, when the car in which they were riding went over a bank and landed in a deep ditch. More than \$500 damage was done to the car.

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WESTERN UNION NOW?

RUSSIA'S PROGRAM TO FASTEN COMMUNISM on the whole of Europe would seem to be heading for stiff opposition. Signs to encourage this hope and belief are beginning to make their appearance on the international horizon. Since one of the principal objects of the men in the Kremlin was to defeat the "Marshall Plan" or, at least, to limit its effects to insignificant proportions—hoping also that a long-drawn-out debate in the Congress at Washington would assist Moscow's plans—it is important to observe that Senator Vandenberg yesterday stirred his fellow lawmakers in the Upper Chamber on Capitol Hill when he issued his clarion call to them to "help stop World War III before it starts."

In his capacity as chairman of the all-important Senate Foreign Relations Committee, of course, as well as president of the treaty-making body, the advice of the Senator from Michigan to the people of the United States to "light the beacon of freedom" in a world menaced by "aggressive Communism" is scarcely likely to fall on deaf or unresponsive ears. As one of the most prominent and persuasive Republican leaders, even a possible contender for the presidential nomination next summer, his warning assuredly will be heeded in the political as well as in the practical and realistic sense by those of his own persuasion. And it is the administration's own program for which he is bespeaking prompt and effective action.

Another and more intriguing sign that the schemes of the Soviet Union are slated for the kind of opposition best calculated to impress the disciples of the police state is reflected by Mr. Attlee's statement to the House of Commons last night that the discussions between the representatives of the Benelux countries—Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg—will cover all aspects of the proposed western European union, such as economic, social, political and defence problems. But the urgency of the Prime Minister's announcement resides in the fact that he gave it voice only a short while after a Foreign Office spokesman had dropped the hint that it conceivably would be weeks before anything of a concrete nature could be accomplished to implement the plan advocated by Mr. Bevin in the House last Jan. 22.

The proposal of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, it will be recalled, envisioned a close economic, political and military alliance of Britain, France and the three Benelux nations to form the nucleus for a larger, later grouping of western European powers—as a means of combatting what he termed the "ruthless" efforts by Russia to dominate the European continent. Nor did Mr. Bevin's announcement of five weeks ago come on the precise date of his conception of a western union; when in the middle of last December he could see no hope of success for the meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers, both British and French leaders got together to talk over the whole prospect.

It is understood that Mr. Bevin took ample time to ponder this new concept of modern history so as to satisfy himself, first, that all hopes of peaceful co-operation with the Soviet Union had vanished; and, second, that the people of his own country were solidly behind him. No further explanation of these two considerations is necessary at this stage. The world can see Russia's game; and it is obvious that the force of the second point—involving a complete reversal of British foreign policy—has acquired new meaning through the weight of circumstance.

Whether the Scandinavian countries, and an economically and politically restored western Germany and Italy, eventually could be persuaded to become part and parcel of such a union, is a question that must remain on the knees of the gods for the time being. Speculation of this kind, moreover, will be conditioned to a considerable extent upon the speed with which Congress at Washington gives the force of law to the "Marshall Plan" and the facility with which its provisions are implemented in the fullest and most practical sense of the term. It is in this regard that Senator Vandenberg's appeal to his fellow senators assumes vast significance and importance. For the Soviet Union is, indeed, on the march now.

HONGKONG AND POLITICS

IN A SPECIAL OTTAWA NEWS DISPATCH indelibly stamped with partisan bias, the public of Victoria has been informed that "Major-General George R. Pearkes, V.C., M.P., charged here tonight (Saturday) that a statement made by National Defence Minister Brooke Claxton 'emphasizes the guilt of the Canadian government in dispatching untrained and poorly-equipped Canadian soldiers to Hongkong when the government knew they had to fight a desperate battle.'"

The Progressive Conservative member for Nanaimo is credited with being "quick

to grasp the disclosure" which quotes Mr. Claxton as follows:

"It is no secret that the plan envisaged in garrisoning Hongkong was that it might be held for a number of months, at the end of which time it would be relieved by the superior strength of the United States and British navy forces. The disaster at Pearl Harbor and the loss of the Republic and the Prince of Wales ended any such hope."

In point of chronology: the Canadian force sailed from Canada on Oct. 17, 1941, and arrived in Hongkong on Nov. 16. Three weeks later, Dec. 7, came Pearl Harbor. The Prince of Wales and Repulse were lost the following day.

To clinch the case set forth in the news dispatch, Gen. Pearkes has only to prove the King administration responsible for Pearl Harbor and for the sinking of the Prince of Wales and the Repulse—a task which should be no more difficult than fixing the blame for Dunkerque on the same government. And, while he is about it, why does not General Pearkes berate the Prime Minister for the loss of the Lusitania, or the Dardanelles disaster?

The situation as it is viewed by most Canadians at this time is more adequately summed up by Dick Sanburn, in a special Southern Bureau dispatch from Ottawa to Saturday's Vancouver Province. Says Mr. Sanburn in part:

"The tormented ghost of Canada at Hongkong remains unable to rest in peace even though more than six years have elapsed since that Christmas Day of 1941."

"The whole Hongkong saga has been one of distress, sorrow and tragedy. Very early, the story became stained by politics, in which the dead—never—but little interest. It is impossible to believe that the current flare-up about Hongkong is anything else but political, with both sides of the House involved."

"The only decent thing that emerged from Hongkong was the gallantry of the men who fought there. It is very debatable if the current controversy in the Commons, more heavily laden than ever with politics, will make the score look any better on the pages of history. The dead don't care."

At some future date the full story of Hongkong may be made public. To date certain information is still withheld by the authorities in Britain. But the disaster which reached its climax on Christmas Day, 1941, must surely be seen as the culmination of certain developments that could not have been foreseen. Certain calculations which, at the best, could only have been based upon the impossibilities of war, did not go according to plan. Tragedy resulted. And that tragedy, we submit, should not be made the instrument of political manoeuvre by a party bankrupt in constructive policy.

PROOF OF A THEORY?

THE THEORY THAT CHILDBIRTH could be accomplished without the use of anesthesia and still be painless has been advanced on several occasions. In an article published in a magazine of international circulation last May, for instance, Dr. Grantly Dick Read, an English obstetrician, noted that "If fear of childbirth can be eliminated, pain will cease. . . I am prepared to state that in the not distant future the inevitability of painful childbirth will be a relic of the past."

Revolutionary as that idea appeared to many a year ago, some proof of the statement seems to be afforded in current news from London that a youthful graduate of a Canadian university has accomplished the task through application of hypnotism to his patient. According to the British report the 25-year-old woman on whom the technique was used was rendered unconscious by suggestion and awoke to learn she was the mother of a seven-pound daughter. Her reaction is phrased in the terse statement: "I felt no pain at all."

To what extent this method will become general for the delivery of children is a matter which only the informed can indicate. The possibilities, however, seem boundless. The removal of fear and destructive strains could greatly facilitate the work of medical men who frequently must overcome those obstacles before they can reach the root causes of the troubles which they seek to cure. If the example reported in the news from London furnishes proof of a theory, another step has been taken in the march of curative science.

AS BAD AS THEY THINK?

IT MIGHT BE LOGICAL TO EXPECT AN Olympic crown to swell the head on which it rested. After all the Olympic circle is presumably reserved for the best athletes in the world. But their achievement at St. Moritz seems to have worked in reverse for the R.C.A.F. Flyers, who captured the hockey laurels at stake during the quadrennial games. The Flyers, by current account, are unhappy because of their belief that they are being "railroaded" into Allan Cup play. To Coach Frank Boucher's terse statement: "We won the Olympic title, but Allan Cup competition is still definitely not our league," has been added the opinion of a team member that competition with Canada's best "amateurs" would in one game "shoot our Olympic record full of holes. We don't kid ourselves. We've lost only two games in 24 over here (Europe) but didn't meet a team that could begin to compare with a good senior Canadian outfit."

That provokes the dual question: Are the Flyers really as bad as they think they are, and if so, what is the value of hockey contests in connection with the Olympic Winter Games?

"What is loyalty? A difficult question."—Time Mag. headline. Right: give the gentleman eight dollars.

Walter Lippmann

THE EISENHOWER BOOM

ALTHOUGH QUITE some time has passed since he withdrew, and though his withdrawal must be taken as final, General Eisenhower's extraordinary popularity in all the polls is still, I think, the most interesting commentary on this year's United States election.

The polls showed that as things stood in midwinter, in the early days of this session of Congress, and before the primaries, he would have been an easy winner over President Truman. Senator Taft looked like a sure loser. The odds were against Governor Dewey and Mr. Stassen. But they were close enough to give them a fighting chance. Senator Vandenberg's strength was not it will be recalled, tested in these polls.

NOW NO ONE, least of all Mr. Gallup and Mr. Roper, would argue that these early polls were a forecast of the actual comparative strength of these men on election day. General Eisenhower was not an active candidate when his political popularity was mounting; no one will ever know what would have been the effect if he had become an active candidate. Nor could the polls predict what the Congressional session, the primaries and the conventions, the world situation and economic developments at home will do to the active candidates.

What these polls do show, I think, is that the country would like to replace the Truman administration but that it is not yet sure that the Republican party is a safe replacement. That is, it seems to me, what the Eisenhower-boom means.

IT CANNOT BE EXPLAINED entirely on the basis of his glorious achievements in the war, nor altogether, I believe, because he is the most lovable character in public life today. These polls were measuring his strength as a theoretical candidate for President of the United States. When they were taken there was no record of any kind, as there is in the case of President Truman, Governor Dewey, Senator Taft, by which to form an estimate of him as a civilian executive or as a politician.

He himself said in his letter of withdrawal that his career as a professional soldier has not given him the experience or developed the qualities which are needed in a high civilian office. The modesty of his nature may have caused him to underestimate himself.

BE THAT AS IT MAY, the boom attributed to him all the necessary qualifications, and it must be interpreted, I think, therefore as an expression of what the people are looking for. They planned their hopes and wishes upon General Eisenhower, and created upon his engaging and invigorating personality the portrait of their ideal candidate.

It was the portrait of a man who had been outside the divisions and dissensions of party, section, class, sect, and would remain above them; able, therefore, to strike the chords of unity; an exponent not only of liberty, but also of fraternity; a conqueror without rancor or vainglory; a warrior who wanted peace; a strong man, and therefore unfrightened; a brave man, and therefore magnanimous; one around whom they could rally in confidence and with serenity.

WHETHER ANY MAN could fulfill these hopes and wishes is beside the point. The Eisenhower boom—if I have interpreted it at all correctly—disclosed the criteria, deep in the minds and hearts of the American people, by which the uncommitted voters who will decide the election are judging the parties and the candidates. The ideal portrait of the President they are looking for may be as far from the reality of United States politics as the pole star is from the earth. Nevertheless, by it the course will be fixed and the progress of the contenders measured.

When this ideal standard is translated into practical politics, it will take a much less exalted form. The Eisenhower boom showed eloquently how gladly the people would put an end to the Truman administration if only they could be convinced that the alternative would not be worse.

THIS MAY SOUND like a strange way to put the situation. But the situation is very strange, owing, as I think I may be able to show in succeeding articles, to the altogether abnormal circumstances of Roosevelt's fourth election.

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Quoting

I don't care whether I am President of the United States again as long as there is world peace.—President Truman.

Whatever reputation I have is due to the fact that I never open my mouth unless I have something to say.—George Bernard Shaw, British playwright.

Unless we behave like raving lunatics, there will not be another war. But there is always the possibility that men may be lunatics.—Sir Hartley Shawcross, Britain's Attorney-General.

I won't say another war will wipe everybody off the face of the earth. That's pretty extreme. And it won't destroy civilization—there'll be some pieces left. But it will be an enormous setback. We'll have to start all over from 'way back.—Arthur H. Compton, Nobel physicist.

Shucks, We Thought He Was About Ready To Sober Up



Curbing Soviet Influence

BY EXPORTING capital to build and operate plants, and extending knowledge of United States business techniques to undeveloped countries, many American firms are playing an important part in the ideological struggle between the United States and Russia, declares William March in The Reader's Digest for March.

The author sees the Russian Revolution as reactionary, offering to the world only the "antique principle of the omnipotence of the State." But the American Revolution, which "did not die in 1776 or 1789 . . . is today neither static nor timorous." Combining two motivating forces, individual opportunity for profit and dedication to the service of humanity, it promises to improve the lot of the common man everywhere. If wisely applied, Hard says, it can defeat the influence of Soviet agents who strive to turn the poverty and discontent of backward countries into an extension of the Russian Revolution.

Hundreds of American-owned plants, now operating in foreign

lands, are not exploiting those countries, but helping them, the author insists. A country prefers a plant it can tax to a loan it must repay. Besides paying taxes the plant usually raises the standard of living of its employees. Several U.S.-owned plants in South America pay wages 60 per cent above the local scale. Training local technicians and labor to operate such plants is an added educational benefit.

Illustrating the helpfulness of American business abroad, are current projects of Edward R. Stettinius and Nelson Rockefeller. Stettinius has organized the Liberian Company, to develop untapped resources, lumber, cocoa, gold and diamonds. The Liberian government will get 25 per cent of the company's shares, at no cost. Another 10 per cent of the company's stock, and its profits, will accrue to the Liberian Foundation, an institution dedicated to the improvement of the people's health and education.

TEACHING

Rockefeller has two projects in Venezuela. One is an organization to teach, at his own expense,

modern methods of education and agriculture. The other, on which Rockefeller hopes to profit, will supply ice to fishing boats, trucks and airplanes, so that fresh fish can be delivered to Venezuelans for half the price they now pay for spoiled fish.

Firestone's acres of rubber forest in Liberia provide in taxes nearly a quarter of the Liberian government's entire revenue. An American-owned ammonium sulphate plant in Travancore, India, promises to provide enough fertilizer to double the yield of Travancore's rice crop. The government believes its people are now safe from famine.

Often plundered by foreign capitalists, many countries have raised barriers against outside capital, impeding the extension of American enterprises overseas. But the barriers are being lowered, Hard states. "With enlightened use of American capital abroad, the impediments would wholly fall; and in most of the undeveloped regions of the world there would be a new prosperity. Against that prosperity the agents of the Russian Revolution would hurl themselves in vain."

Sands Of Disaster

BBC London Letter

IT'S A VERY good sailor who can manage to bring his ship safely past the Goodwin Sands, those treacherous sandbanks in the English Channel where many a ship has met disaster. This winter, with its many fierce gales, we seen a full quota of ships stuck on the Goodwins, and Capt. Langford, one-time master of the tug Lady Brassey, so often called to the rescue, told listeners to the BBC's radio newsreel just what the difficulties are.

"You've got to know the Goodwins pretty well," he said, "before you can take a tug, which is pretty easy to handle, right in amongst the sandbanks. The Goodwins are nine miles long and four miles wide and, believe me, I have had many an exciting

day feeling my way along the Channel—sometimes in fog with the mournful hooters of the Goodwin lighthouse booming through the swelling mists and sometimes with the wind cutting the tops off the waves that roll and prance over the sandbanks.

"First of all you must find a way through the shifting channels to the stranded ship and then you have to get a rope aboard—usually with the help of a motor boat. The tow rope rises and falls above the water—whacking the waves with a report like a pistol shot—leaping up on the water as tight as a violin string—every strand of it gold and the strain. Sometimes the tow-rope breaks and then it

whips back—coiling through the air like a thick brown snake. It can kill you outright if you get in the way and it's every man for himself, but as often as not, it wraps itself round the tug propeller and then another tug's got to tow the first one to safety.

"My tug—the Lady Brassey—is one of the most powerful on the south coast but it is as much as I can do—anyhow when it is rough—to keep myself out of difficulties when I am trying to get a stranded ship off the Goodwins. About one-in-four ships that run aground on the Goodwins stay there for good and in a few months all that is left of them is a couple of masts protruding at drunken angles above the grey waves."

As Our Readers See It

RE SANICH BY-ELECTION

With all due deference to Mr. Brown's judgment, it should be pointed out that if there was any muddle in connection with this election, the returning officer for Sanich was in no way to blame. I had the pleasure and privilege of attending the meeting at which the deputy returning officers were briefed before election day. The returning officers' instructions were clear, lucid, concise and explicit. Also every form and envelope issued to the deputy returning officers carried complete printed instructions as to its use and disposal.

The election act also carried complete instructions as to how each form is to be used and disposed of. If anyone is to be blamed for the late delivery of notices regarding the meeting, the blame should be placed on the postal authorities, as I received my notice in plenty of time to attend the meeting.

CHARLES W. HAYWOOD, Box 2168, R.M.D. 4, Victoria.

LORD'S DAY ACT

Recent press reports of a brief presented by the British Colum-

bia Command of the Canadian Legion to the Attorney-General of the province has been brought to our attention. According to these reports, references to The Lord's Day Act of Canada, and the powers conferred upon an Attorney-General by that act, have been made under misconceptions of the actual provisions of that act, and its administration.

In that connection the brief stated, in part, that "such action is entirely within the power of the province because, although the Lord's Day Act is a federal law, the interpretation rests with the Attorney-General, as shown by the fact that Quebec has Sunday movies and baseball."

To correct an error it should be stated clearly that Quebec does not have Sunday movies and baseball because of any action, or inaction, of the Attorney-General. Quebec has these Sunday activities legally by reason of legislation which was upon their provincial statutes at the time The Lord's Day Act of Canada came into force. Section 15 of that federal law says: "Nothing herein shall be construed to repeal, or in any way

affect, any provisions of any act or law relating in any way to the observance of the Lord's Day in force in any province in Canada when this act comes into force." Quebec was the only Canadian province with any legislation legalizing Sunday movies and professional sports, and therefore their legality continues.

It should also be pointed out that the discretionary powers delegated to an Attorney-General by this act do not empower him to amend the legislation. The Attorney-General is given the responsibility of scrutinizing applications for prosecution and where he finds the offence alleged is not a violation of the Lord's Day Act he is expected to withhold permission for prosecution in any such instance.

The freedom of the national weekly day of rest is still an important factor in the life of Canadian workers, and the Lord's Day Act of Canada is the guarantee of rest day freedom for Canadian citizens.

GEO. G. WEBBER, General-Secretary, Lord's Day Alliance of Canada.

Global Survey

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press News Analyst

BRITAIN'S SAGACIOUS war time prime minister, Winston Churchill, not long ago advocated in the House of Commons that the western democracies unite and seek a showdown with Russia before the Soviet Union develops atomic weapons.

Sound advice—but have we delayed too long? It certainly makes one wonder when a House of Representatives Un-American Activities Sub-Committee reports that the United States Bureau of Standards which has been working on atomic energy processes, "has become the target of espionage agents of numerous foreign powers."

Not only that but the sub-committee asserts that Dr. Edward U. Condon, head of the bureau, is "one of the weakest links in our atomic security." The sub-committee charges that he "knowingly or unknowingly, entertained and associated with persons who are alleged Soviet espionage agents" and "has lent his name and influence to one of the principal Communist endeavors in the United States."

ACTION NEEDED

The brazen and brutal enslavement of Czechoslovakia by the Reds already has convinced the major western democracies finally that the time has arrived when it would be flirting with disaster to let Russia push them about any more. This atomic report ought to put a cap on that decision.

The consensus on both sides of the Atlantic, even before the atomic sensation broke, was well summed up in an editorial by the powerful Times of London: "The only way now to settle with Russia—and the peace of the world depends upon it—is to take up the challenge and bring both the recovery program (the Marshall Plan) and western union (of Europe) to a successful outcome."

APPEALS FOR APPROVAL

The Marshall Plan now is before the United States Senate, and Senator Arthur Vandenberg, chairman of the foreign relations committee, yesterday appealed for approval of the program to "help stop World War III before it starts." He declared that while "any thought of another war is abhorrent to our soul, peace and appeasement are not on speaking terms."

The project of a western Europe union, recently proposed in London by Foreign Secretary Bevin, also is being pushed to a decision. State Secretary Marshall has endorsed this plan, and there has been speculation—that officials privately approve—that in due course the United States might welcome an alliance with the countries of western Europe.



OLD LOOK

Windsor Star
One of the new dress styles unveiled in Paris is said to have a pocket all across the front, like a kangaroo's pouch. We're left wondering what that pocket will do to milady's contours, after she dumps the contents of her handbag into it.

FRUSTRATION

Ottawa Citizen
Mr. Abbott surely knows that the present "dollar crisis" will last more than a few months. It may last two years—or longer. Hence he might well fix a minimum term for the "emergency" for which the elaborate Foreign Exchange Conservation Bill has been devised, and to that extent reassure producers and mitigate the dislocation of business he undertook to prevent.

CAN HARDLY WAIT

The Reader's Digest
At a dinner commemorating the 25th anniversary of a college organization the toastmaster introduced the speaker with great fervor, stressing her years of faithful service to the club and eulogizing her ability and charm. Somewhat overwhelmed, the speaker faced the audience. "After such an introduction," she said, "disarmingly, 'I can hardly wait to hear what I'm going to say.'"

PEERING AHEAD

Toronto Star
If the electors of Huron "keep their eyes on the ball," that is on the record and policies of the Drew government, they will not vote for the government candidate. A vote against the Drew candidate will serve notice on the provincial premier that he should pay attention to Ontario affairs, stop meddling and leave Mr. Bracken to look after federal affairs.

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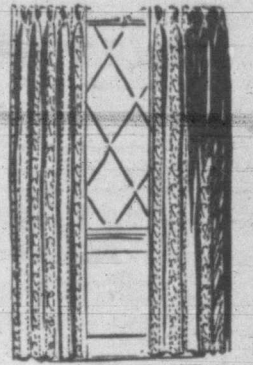
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'Where Are Stenographers?' Ald. Williams Asks Committee

The mystery of what had become of two junior stenographers for whom the civic service committee advertised was thoroughly explored by Ald. Edward Williams at Monday's City Council meeting.

He indignantly protested that a committee should not advertise civic positions without first getting authorization from the City Council. He said after seeing the advertisement in local papers he had tried in vain to find out in what departments the new stenographers were to work—and no one knew.

He insisted that the mayor did not know about the vacant positions, nor did the chairman of the

civic service committee, nor did any of the aldermen, and he wanted to know how this could happen under the civic service by-law.

He asked that the solicitor be instructed to prepare amendments so that the council would have to authorize all such appointments.

Newton Smith, executive secretary for the civic service committee, explained that he was just filling two junior positions which had become vacant, and in which no present member of the staff would be interested because they were so junior. He said notices had been posted on all City Hall bulletin boards.

Ald. Waldo Skillings said he had encountered no difficulty in finding out which offices the stenographers were to fill, and declared he thought too many trivial details came to the council now without bothering about junior stenographers. Ald. M. A. Kent concurred in this, and as Ald. Williams could get no second for his motion to amend the by-law, the matter was dropped.

Ald. Williams warned, however, "I'm not through with this. I'll bring it up again."

No Action On City Staff Request For Living-Cost Bonus

The question of opening negotiations with the City Hall staff to provide a cost-of-living bonus for its members was banded back and forth at Monday's City Council meeting between the civic service committee and the whole council, and finally left in the hands of the committee for recommendation.

Ald. C. F. Banfield, chairman of the civic service committee, reported that as all civic employees now work under signed agreements, and all salaries have been equitably established, any further increases should apply equally to all employees. He referred the whole question to the council for a decision on policy.

Ald. Edward Williams felt it was the duty of the committee to make a recommendation.

Ald. J. D. Hunter commented he was under the impression the policy had been decided at a closed council meeting some time ago, but Ald. Williams insisted "We can't just say 'No' to the employees' requests without giving explanations."

Control Of Dogs Bothers Council

How closely should dogs be kept penned on their own property?

Robert McCaig feels they should not be allowed on the city streets, with or without their masters, because of the mess they create and wrote a strongly worded letter to Monday's City Council meeting asking for action.

Ald. M. A. Kent, chairman of the pound committee, under whose jurisdiction the matter falls, was prepared to dismiss the complaint, receive and file the letter.

Ald. C. F. Banfield, who confessed his own lawn had been desecrated by wandering dogs, insisted "This is more serious than you think."

Mayor Percy George thought something might be done, although with the gradual doing away of fences he didn't quite know what.

Ald. Margaret D. Christie said that if the animals were kept from running loose at night she'd be satisfied.

The matter was referred to the pound committee for report.

Query Financial Backing Of Memorial Airpark Association

At the instance of Ald. F. N. Cabell and Ald. M. A. Kent the Memorial Airpark Association will be asked to furnish a report showing its financial backing, who are its directors, and its detailed plans for the development and operation of the Gordon Head airpark site.

Mayor Percy George, started the ball rolling at Monday's City Council meeting by querying whether the council was sure the organization was in a position to carry out the improvements started, before he signed the agreement leasing the property. "I should have to see the city a party to getting people to spend money on the project and then have it stalled," he commented. "That's what I've wanted to know all along," interjected Ald. Cabell. "How capable are they of doing the job. We were told last year it would cost a tremendous sum to get the field levelled."

Ald. Kent concurred the city should be very careful. "Unless we are sure they can put up a good show, we should not let them leave ourselves open to a lot of trouble," he said. He also wanted to know exactly who was

City Council Briefs

City Council members will ballot at the next meeting to name a successor to the late Fred Butterfield on the Town Planning Commission. Nominations for the three-year term of office will be made at that time also, it was decided at Monday's meeting.

William J. Hamilton was named at Monday's City Council meeting on the recommendation of Mayor Percy George to succeed the late Fred Butterfield on the fence viewers' committee.

The question of presenting a brief to the Milk Board at its March 8 hearing on a possible price increase was left in the hands of the health committee by Monday's City Council meeting, as Mayor Percy George commented the city should have someone present to keep a watching brief.

Ald. F. N. Cabell was added to the civic service committee on recommendation of Mayor Percy George by Monday's City Council meeting. Other members of the committee are Ald. C. F. Banfield, chairman; Ald. F. G. Mulliner, and Mayor George.

On a motion from Ald. M. A. Kent, the City Council Monday supported the resolution submitted by the War Amputations' Association asking for a basic monthly pension of \$100 for 100 per cent disabled veterans.

The contentious question of the rezoning of property on Barnard Avenue to permit the Sisters of the Society for the Love of Jesus to convert it into a home for aged ladies was referred to the lands, zoning and housing committee by Monday's City Council meeting, without comment.

On the recommendation of Mayor Percy George, Ald. Edward Williams was named City Council representative on the executive of the B.C. Agricultural Association by Monday's City Council meeting.

John Baxter, mayor's secretary for many years, requested that he be superannuated March 31, but his request was tabled at the instance of Mayor Percy George that the secretary be kept on until his successor could be appointed and properly trained.

Wages of four carpenters employed by the city have been raised to \$1.40 per hour, retroactive to Jan. 1 instead of Feb. 1, as at first approved by the City Council. The carpenters' union asked that the wage increase be retroactive to Nov. 15, but Ald. C. F. Banfield, chairman of the civic service committee, told Monday's City Council meeting he did not feel they should go back beyond their own time jurisdiction.

Edgar A. MacLaurin Dies In 81st Year

Funeral services will be held tomorrow for Edgar A. MacLaurin, who died Saturday after a long illness. Mr. MacLaurin was 81 years of age and before being compelled to retire was for many years employed as a printer in the composing room of the Victoria Times. Funeral will be from McCall Bros. Funeral Parlors at 130 The Salvation Army will conduct. Interment in Colwood Burial Park.

\$3,800 Improvements At Athletic Park

Expenditure of \$3,800 to enlarge dressing-rooms and fix up concession stands at Athletic Park was authorized by Monday's City Council meeting.

Ald. M. A. Kent, chairman of the parks committee, explained work must be done immediately to get finished for the opening of the baseball season.

To date the city has spent \$51,000 fixing up the park for professional baseball, he said, and revenues since 1945 have amounted to \$25,000, leaving \$26,000 still to come in.

Tree Removal 'Just A Mistake'

The removal of the boulevard trees on Olive Street was all a mistake Ald. M. A. Kent, chairman of the parks committee, confessed to Monday's City Council meeting, and his committee is very sorry about the whole thing.

Apologies have been written to the residents of the street and assurance was given to the council that such hasty removal of trees would not occur again.

"The parks administrator thought there was a petition asking for their removal, and it was not until after the trees were down, he found out his mistake," Ald. Kent explained.

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'Cluny Brown' Opens At York

For a scene in Ernst Lubitsch's production of "Cluny Brown," the 20th-Century-Fox hit opening today at the York Theatre, Charles Boyer was supposed to pull off Helen Walker's riding boots while they exchanged some bantering dialogue.

After the first "take" Lubitsch said, "Okay. I like it."

"You do?" asked Helen, with mock disappointment. "And here this is the first time I've ever had a great lover literally at my feet!"

The film, co-starring Charles Boyer and Jennifer Jones, tears Helen with bobby-sox idol Peter Lawford.

ODEON THEATRE

"Master of Bankdam," which is now at the Odeon Theatre, is adapted from Thomas Armstrong's famous novel, "The Crowthers of Bankdam." The story concerns three generations of a mill-owning family. From modest beginnings Simeon Crowther builds up a prosperous business, but a grim battle for mastery develops between his sons and is passed down to their children.

Where To Go Tonight

(As Advertised)

ATLAS—"My Wild Irish Rose," starring Dennis Morgan.

CAPITOL—Greer Garson in "Desire Me."

DOMINION—Vivien Leigh and Rex Harrison in "Storm in a Teacup."

OAK BAY—"I Wonder Who's Kissing Her Now," with June Haver and Mark Stevens.

ODEON—"The Master of Bankdam," starring Ann Crawford and Tom Walls.

PLAZA—Lucille Ball and George Sanders in "Lured."

RIO—Robert Mitchum in "Nevada."

YORK THEATRE

Hunt Stromberg's fascinating mystery romance, "Lured," has been held over at the Plaza Theatre.

In the film, Lucille Ball plays a show girl whose play flops in London. She helps Scotland Yard track down a homicidal maniac and, in the course of the hunt, she attracts the romantic interest of a wealthy night club owner, George Sanders.

'Storm In A Teacup' Held At Dominion

In "Storm in a Teacup," the Alexander Korda production which is currently showing at the Dominion Theatre, director Victor Saville insisted that every situation and camera angle be worked out before a single scene was filmed.

Nearly seven months were spent in preparatory work before the cameras started grinding. And, according to all reports, the results more than justify the director's painstaking methods, for the film has been hailed as the most unusual and delightful screen comedy in many a moon.

ATLAS THEATRE

Chauncey Olcott, who is portrayed by Dennis Morgan in Warner Bros. musical, "My Wild Irish Rose," with color by Technicolor, currently at the Atlas Theatre, is generally thought of as an Irishman, was American-born. The great composer-singer of Irish ballads received his first training in show business as part of a typical American minstrel show.

RIO THEATRE

The efforts of a young cowpuncher to clear up a mysterious murder and solve the secret of an immensely valuable mine form the basis of "Nevada," RKO Radio's latest western offering now at the Rio Theatre. Robert Mitchum, the newest outdoor "find" plays the leading role.

CAPITOL THEATRE

"Desire Me," the exciting M-G-M drama now being shown on the Capitol screen—stars Greer Garson in one of the most touching portrayals of her career. Miss Garson essays the role of Marise, a French girl who mourns the soldier-husband, Paul, who has been announced as being dead. She is abruptly confronted by a stranger who is determined to fill the void left by Paul.

Communists Largely Responsible For Industrial Unrest—Wilkinson

"It is my belief a very major portion of existing industrial strife can be traced to the Communists," George A. Wilkinson, labor representative on the newly-formed Labor Relations Board of the provincial government, told the Gyro Club at a meeting Monday.

Emphasizing that he was giving his own personal opinions and was not outlining views of the government or of the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council of which he is secretary, Mr. Wilkinson charged the Communists with "disruption" at work on this continent threatening to do away with the democratic way of life.

"The Communists thrive on disruption," Mr. Wilkinson said. "Noting last week's coup by the Communists in Czechoslovakia, the speaker said present-day developments were just a repetition of 1938 happenings. He said much would have to be done within a short time if another war were to be averted."

'IT CAN HAPPEN HERE'

"I'm getting sick and tired of people who tell me it can't happen here. It can happen and will happen unless we wake up to what has already happened."

"If North America is to be saved from communism," the speaker continued, "it will be by the people."

News of the Island

Board To Launch \$10,000 Drive For New Ganges Hospital Wing

GANGES HARBOR—Need for a new wing which would cost \$10,000 and would house a "badly needed children's ward," was stressed by Mrs. Warren Hastings, re-elected chairman of the board of directors of Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital, at the annual meeting, held in Mahon Hall here.

Mrs. Hastings in giving the report of the Women's Auxiliary to the hospital said the government would finance one third of the cost of the wing.

She said a campaign for funds would be started May 1 and before that time a house-to-house collection would be taken. There are 500 youngsters among the population of Salt Spring Island, she told the meeting, adding that the need for a children's ward was quite obvious.

"With the fast-growing population of the island, the situation is becoming more acute," Mrs. Hastings said. "The board and I, along with the doctors and matron have decided that the time has come when this alteration is absolutely necessary."

During the year a safe and adequate fire escape was built, a new hot water system installed, a reserve water tank erected, repairs made to the furnace and five new Fowler beds purchased. Mrs. Hastings said in her general report of the year's activities.

Financial report revealed that total receipts for the year amounted to \$15,966, with expenditures of \$19,100. Receipts showed an increase over last year of \$3,643 while expenditures increased \$4,936.

Number of patients admitted was 385 and births at the hospital totaled 37. Per capita cost day was \$5.24. There are now 853 adult and 140 child subscribers to the hospital.

Elected to the board were: Mrs. W. Hastings, Mrs. L. Brittan-court, Mrs. A. Hepburn, Mrs. A. E. Scoones, Mrs. W. Hipsley, Dr. J. White and R. H. Hurdle, W. M. Mount, Capt. V. J. Harroway, Archdeacon G. H. Holmes, Auditors are J. Bates and S. Hemming. A corsage bouquet was presented Mrs. B. Peterson, matron at the hospital, at the close of the meeting.

Others elected were: Percy Thorpe, vice-president and H. Patterson, secretary. Elected to the board of directors were: W. Virgin, Councillor W. Kersey, V. Dawson, R. Woolridge, A. Butler, R. C. Muirhead, D. Hallaway, L. Hafer, Capt. MacKay and H. Andrew. Walter Miles of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce installed the officers.

Resolution from the Sidney Chamber that the road from Swartz Bay to West Road be opened was endorsed. Full support in publishing a folder on the Saanich Peninsula was offered the Saanich Board by George Warren, manager of Vancouver Island Publicity Bureau.

Report of a recent survey on industrial development which he conducted on Vancouver Island and Lower Mainland was given by R. W. Kersey, field representative of the regional development division of the Department of Trade and Industry.

Mount Newton High Accredited School

KEATING — The distinction of an accredited high school has been given to Mount Newton School, recently re-classified as a Junior-Senior High School, according to word received from the Department of Education by A. E. Voege, principal.

Granted for the current year only, such classification has been the result of satisfactory standards in teaching, administration and school organization, and the provision of courses and activities towards meeting the individual needs and abilities of students.

Much good work has been done during the last two years by the Saanich School Board in providing for individual differences, by improving accommodation and equipment for instruction in home economics, industrial arts, and commercial subjects. The new classification of the school also calls for the provision of adequate facilities for physical education and library.

It is now possible for the staff to recommend students who have done consistently good work in their senior years for entrance into the University without writing the customary departmental examinations in June, as a result of the school's new classification.

Radio Asks Right To Broadcast Editorials In U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Radio's battle for the right to broadcast its own editorial opinions, now being waged before the Federal Communications Commission, ran into opposition today.

The C.I.O. ranged itself beside James Lawrence Fly, former F.C.C. chairman, in support of the "no-editorial" rule which now binds the industry.

A union spokesman said the C.I.O. is ready to tell the F.C.C. hearing that radio is "big business, dependent on advertising." If broadcasters were allowed to take sides, he contended, they would reflect a commercial point of view.

On Monday heads of three United States networks—NBC, ABC and CBS—asked that radio enjoy the same freedom as the press, with no regulatory strings attached.

The hearing on whether to change the F.C.C.'s "Mayflower decision" may last a week or more. That disputed ruling forbade the Mayflower Broadcasting Corporation of Boston—and by implication, all other radio stations and networks—to "advocate the causes" of its owner in politics or controversial matters.

SAMPLE GIVEN

The president of the Columbia Broadcasting System, Frank Stanton, had a sample radio editorial "piped in" to the hearing room.

The commissioners listened intently to a transcribed plea for passage of the Hill-Taft-Thomas bill for federal aid to education.

Then Stanton presented a sample "letters to the editor" program, in which fictitious listeners argued against the education bill. CBS will invite listeners to send in such criticism of its editorials, Stanton said, and will make a regular program of such views.

Elect J. B. Acland To Scout Committee

GANGES—J. B. Acland was elected chairman of a newly-formed Boy Scout troop committee, at a luncheon in the Log Cabin Cafe, in honor R. H. Thring, provincial field commissioner.

Others elected were: A. M. Brown, secretary-treasurer and Capt. A. R. Layard, Maj. G. Bullock, Rev. J. Dewar, Archdeacon G. H. Holmes and F. L. Jackson, committee members.

Several meetings and a church parade were held in conjunction with Boy Scout and Girl Guide Week.

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Spring Styles Predominate At House Opening

High fashion in all its variations of style and color vied with traditional pomp and ceremony at the opening of the 21st Legislature of British Columbia in the Parliament Buildings, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Because of a recent injury, Mrs. Charles A. Banks was unable to attend so Mrs. Byron Johnson, wife of the new Premier, making her initial appearance as first lady in parliamentary circles, led the procession of wives and daughters of cabinet ministers, private members and other official guests.

Mrs. Johnson chose a crepe afternoon gown in hyacinth purple tones, featuring the very new draped skirt effect over the hips. With this she wore a pair of a very becoming model hat of matching purple, blue and green satin ribbons.

She was accompanied by her son, Byron Jr., who came from the University of British Columbia for the occasion, and her sister, Mrs. B. D. Thorne, who was smartly gowned in a black satin dressmaker suit with black hat and accessories and brown fur coat.

Mrs. Lillian Russell of Vancouver, sister of the Premier, her daughter, Miss Joan Russell, and the Premier's sister-in-law, Mrs. J. V. Johnson, were also seated with Mrs. Johnson.

NAVY BLUE POPULAR

Navy blue was chosen by Mrs. Gordon Wismer, wife of the Attorney-General of British Columbia.

Her new longer length afternoon dress of fine crepe was styled with a pencil-slim skirt enhanced with draped panels of navy taffeta from hem to waistline. With this was worn a subtle, and a New York model hat of navy straw with high rolled brim and matching quill trim.

Mrs. Wismer was accompanied by her house guest, Mrs. E. Wynne Jones, Mrs. G. Kissick, and Mrs. Howard Forrester, all of Vancouver.

Mrs. E. T. Kenney, wife of the Minister of Lands and Forests, also chose navy blue in the chic bolero style with vestee of shell pink eyelet embroidery, matching navy hat and brown squirrel topcoat.

Black crepe trimmed with wide bands of black taffeta, a small black hat with touches of gold, and black seal coat, was the choice of Mrs. Herbert Anson, wife of the Minister of Finance.

Mrs. Frank Putnam wore a smart suit dress in wine shade with touches of robin's egg blue, and an attractive hat formed of robin's egg blue and white feathers with matching ribbons. She topped her ensemble with the fashion's newest note for spring, the three-quarter length cape in ever popular black.

Mrs. Putnam was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. G. G. McKenzie of Vancouver, who made an attractive picture in her model Bengal dressmaker suit of navy blue with fine white straw off-



Mrs. E. C. Carson, wife of the Minister of Public Works, graciously posed for the photographer in the afternoon dress of fine black faille which she wore to the opening of the Legislature this afternoon. The collar is of rose pink with sequins and the flared cuffs are lined with the same rose silk and sequins. With this, Mrs. Carson chose a brimmed black off-the-face felt hat with wide black satin ribbon trim, and brown squirrel topcoat. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McMillan of Nanaimo and Mrs. Bruce Hutchison, Victoria, accompanied her to the ceremonies.

the-face sailor, trimmed with rosettes of navy tulle. Shoes of new leaf-green color added a colorful ensemble note.

Mrs. R. C. MacDonald, wife of the Minister of Mines and Municipal Affairs, wore a navy blue crepe dress, matching navy hat and fur topcoat.

Accompanying Mrs. MacDonald was her daughter-in-law, Mrs. E. MacDonald, who wore black crepe trimmed with a large draped black satin bow at the waistline. A pleated black satin hat in the new side effect, gold toned topcoat with blonde fur collar completed the ensemble.

MODISH BLACK

Black crepe was also the choice of Mrs. L. C. Eyres. Her gown featured the new-for-spring bustled peplum in matching taffeta. She wore a small black off-the-face sailor wreathed with pink poppies and a brown squirrel coat.

A fine wool beige dressmaker suit featuring the charmingly chic ballerina skirt and short fitted jacket with a large brown corded silk beret and brown accessories, was worn by Mrs. W. T. Strath. Miss Mary Strath, who accompanied her mother, wore a powder blue dress with black hat and accessories.

Cloud grey crepe with beaded embroidery trim was the choice of Mrs. R. H. Carson, with a black straw hat trimmed with pink and a brown squirrel coat. Her daughter, Miss Betty Carson, wore a dress in deep violet shade, grey topcoat and small hat made of pink and violet shaded roses, while her daughter-in-law, Mrs. D. J. Carson of New Westminster, chose a two-piece-suit model of moire silk with winter white hat trimmed with a black feather chou and a muskrat topcoat. Also seated with Mrs. Robert

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Government House Reception Follows House Opening

Following the opening ceremonies of the 21st legislature of British Columbia at the Parliament Buildings this afternoon, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Charles A. Banks entertained the Premier, cabinet ministers, private members and many prominent citizens of Victoria and Vancouver, with their wives, at a reception at Government House. For the occasion Mrs. Banks wore a blue Hattie Carnegie model with plain tailleur skirt in the new long length, a slightly fitted moire jacket; soft blue blouse and diamond rose at her shoulder.

Consul For France Honored At Luncheon

Prior to the opening of the Legislature this afternoon, M. Alexis Anfossy, Consul for France in British Columbia, was honored at a luncheon given at the Empress Hotel, where covers were laid for 11. Those present

were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nation, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Parizeau, Mme. E. Sanderson-Mongin, Mme. Renee Archibald, Mrs. A. J. Tullis, Mrs. Peggy Inglis, Mme. Yvonne Graeff and Lieut. Jacques Gaudry.

Mrs. E. Croft, Vancouver, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. G. E. Fleetwood, Island Highway, Langford.

Mrs. W. S. Butler of Vancouver arrived in Victoria Monday, and is the guest of Mrs. O. M. Jones, 599 Island Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Clarke and their son, Bobbie, former residents of Burnside Road, Victoria, are at present the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smedley, Island Highway at Langford.

Hon. Eric Hamber and Mrs. Hamber, in the city for the opening of the Legislature, will be guests at the Empress Hotel until the week-end.

Air Commodore and Mrs. A. R. Hull of Qualicum Beach are in the city to attend the opening of the Legislature and are guests at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Hillman of Toronto are visitors in Victoria and will be guests at the Empress Hotel for the next month.

Mrs. E. Wynne Jones, who came from Vancouver to attend the opening of the Legislature today is the guest of Hon. and Mrs. G. S. Wismer at their home on Joan Crescent.

Mrs. Allastair McFarlane and Mrs. A. M. Perry left this afternoon for Vancouver to attend an executive meeting of the King's Daughters of British Columbia, to be held in the mainland city on Wednesday.

Mrs. D. J. Carson of New Westminster, who is a visitor in Victoria, for the opening of the Legislature, is the guest of her sister-in-law, Miss Betty Carson, and of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Carson, Sussex Hotel.

Following the opening of the Legislature and the reception at Government House this afternoon, Attorney Gordon S. Wismer entertained at an early-evening party at their home on Joan Crescent, in honor of Vancouver guests and other out-of-town guests who attended the ceremonies.

black felt off-the-face hat and sable furs. Mrs. W. C. Nichol wore a dark bottle green suit with small overcheck of golden brown and matching hat.

Mrs. Henry Hall, wife of Magistrate Hall was wearing a black ensemble. Mrs. R. A. Wootton, wife of the Reeve of Oak Bay, also chose black—a suit trimmed with Persian lamb, a black felt sailor with pink ostrich tips.

A light blue afternoon dress featuring the new side drape, brown hat and accessories and brown fur coat was worn by Mrs. G. R. Easter. Mrs. Hugh McLeod was wearing a navy blue dress with pale pink applique trim, navy hat trimmed with pink and a bride's blue topcoat trimmed with Persian lamb.

Mrs. J. R. Johns chose pale yellow for her dress, blue topcoat and hat and silver fox furs.

Mrs. J. L. Gates was wearing a beige suit with blue fox cape and beige felt hat. She was accompanied by Mrs. W. J. Patterson of Regina, wearing a black satin dress, black Persian lamb coat and black hat with plaid trim.

Mrs. E. V. Finland was seated with her guest, Mrs. A. H. Hull of Qualicum Beach. Mrs. Finland wore an afternoon dress of orange amber shade, matching Lady Beatrice model hat, cobra skin accessories and mink coat. Mrs. Hull was gowned in pearl grey with blue grey fox fur and accessories.

Mrs. D. N. Grubb wore a black soft-wool dressmaker suit, black hat and black wool topcoat; Mrs. J. W. Brown a grey dress, black seal coat, black hat and gold accessories; Mrs. J. B. Munro a two-piece black crepe dress trimmed with black grosgrain ribbon, with black hat and brown fur coat; Mrs. A. H. Cox, navy blue trimmed with pink, a navy blue hat and sealskin coat.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. McKenzie, who have been holidaying up-island, arrived in Victoria yesterday afternoon and will be the guests of Mrs. McKenzie's parents, Hon. and Mrs. Frank Putnam, Falkland Road, for a few days before going on to their home in Vancouver.

Mr. R. T. Rose, secretary of the Board of Trade, and Mrs. Rose, arrived in Victoria yesterday afternoon to attend the legislative opening at the Parliament Buildings today. They are guests at the Empress Hotel, where they are entertaining this evening at a dinner party following the Government House reception, when guests will be Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Mitchell of Vancouver and Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Easter.

The home of Miss Joyce Hemsley, Lee Avenue, was the scene of an informal tea Sunday afternoon when members of the Threem's Club entertained their mothers. A musical program was presented by Miss Wilma Dyson, Miss Anne Fyfe and Miss Joyce Hemsley. Assisting the hostess in serving were Miss Shirley Johnson, Miss Diana McWilliams, Miss Margaret Ross and Miss Marnie Wilson. Guests included Mrs. G. A. Dyson, Mrs. A. Hemsley, Mrs. M. Johnson, Mrs. H. G. McWilliams, Mrs. R. L. Ross and Mrs. W. H. Wilson.

Delegates arriving in Victoria today for the 44th annual meeting of the British Columbia Diocesan Board of the Women's Auxiliary of the Church of England in Canada include Mrs. Orman and Mrs. G. B. Farmer, Mayne Island; Mrs. Clarke, Royton; Mrs. Costin, Mrs. G. W. Nell and Mrs. Purver, Duncan; Mrs. J. Saunders, Mrs. Whitelaw, Mrs. F. R. Sadt and Mrs. W. Estridge, Chetumal; Mrs. C. Ross, Cowichan Station; Mrs. Foster, Westholme; Mrs. Nixon and Mrs. McBride, Sooke; Mrs. J. Noel, Mrs. Bacon and Mrs. Heber Cook, Comox; Mrs. G. H. Holmes, Mrs. H. Price and Mrs. G. Adams, Salt Spring Island; Mrs. Lloyd, Soan; Mrs. M. E. Kolehlm and Mrs. C. F. Dunstan, Quamichan and Mrs. I. W. Carlie, Courtenay.

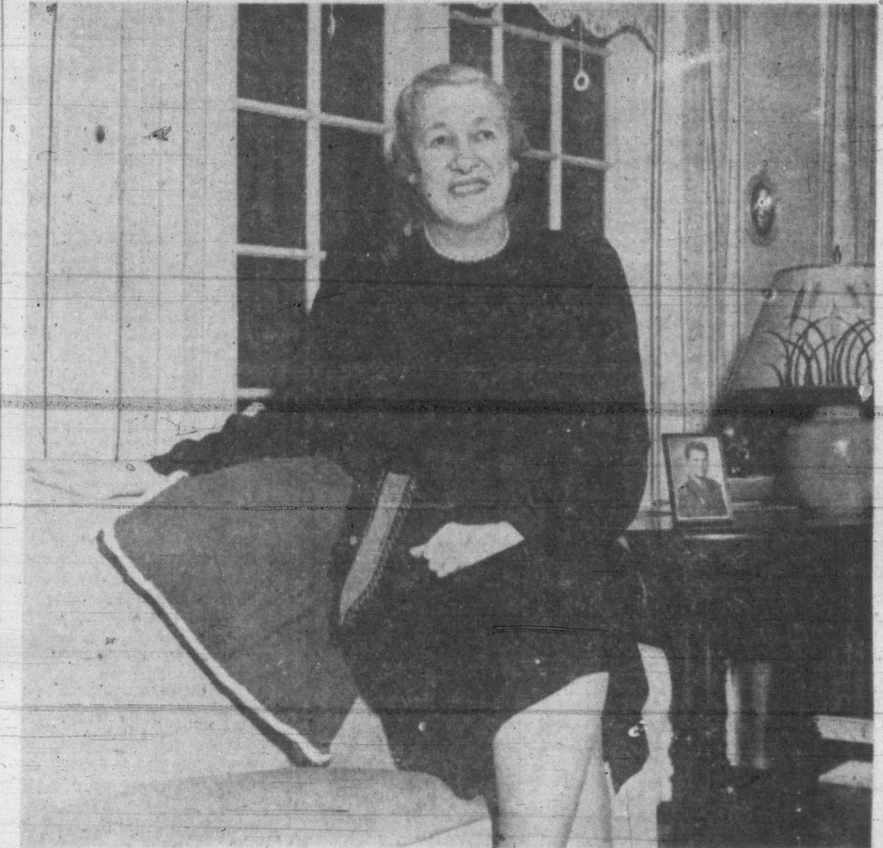
Clubwomen's News

Flower Guild—Mrs. W. J. Pendry presided at the monthly meeting of the Metropolitan Flower Guild at the home of Mrs. H. Knott, Linden Avenue. Mrs. C. Steele opened the meeting with devotional and two readings were given by Mrs. W. Burley, followed by solos by Mrs. Steele. Next meeting will be held on March 16 at the home of Mrs. Steele, 1946 St. Ann Street.

Telephone Bridge—Plans were made for a telephone bridge game in the month of March, at a meeting of the Junior Auxiliary to the Royal Jubilee Hospital, held Monday afternoon at the Nurses' Home. Mrs. R. S. O'Meara presided and committee reports showed 100 hospital visits made during the month and 56 visits to nursing homes. Mrs. M. S. Hedley was named convener of the decorated tables display on April 28. The occupational therapy report showed a substantial increase of patients using facilities of the workshop.

Scholarship Fund—A sum of \$14 was donated to the Victoria College L.O.E. Scholarship Fund at a meeting of Florence Nightingale Chapter, L.O.E., held Monday afternoon. The regent, Mrs. W. R. Roskelley presided and it was announced a daffodil tea will be held on March 18, at the home of Mrs. George Mellor, 1120 Oxford Street. Two magazine subscriptions were donated to the Veterans' Hospital and plans were made to send two parcels to families overseas during the month. Mrs. James Baker was appointed honorary first vice-regent; Mrs. H. Leblay, immigration convener; Mrs. George Little, press and publicity and Mrs. F. McKenzie, films.

Victoria Member Replies To Speech From Throne



Mrs. Nancy Hodges, M.L.A., for the second time in provincial annals, will move the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne at Wednesday's session of the provincial Parliament. At the opening of the 1941 session, when Mrs. Hodges replied to the Speech from the Throne, it was the first time a woman had been chosen for that honor in British Columbia.

Hospital Staff Honors Dr. Gayton

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Gayton were guests of honor at a surprise party given by the staff of Saanich and South Vancouver Island Health Centre Saturday evening, at the home of Mrs. C. M. McNaughton, 1637 Hollywood Crescent.

A buffet supper was served in rooms artistically decorated with daffodils and lilies and lighted by tall yellow candles in silver containers.

During the evening H. G. Watts proposed a toast to Dr. Gayton, who has been medical health officer of Saanich municipality for nine years. Mr. Watts referred to the long and faithful service Dr. Gayton rendered during those years and expressed best wishes from all present for a long and successful career as medical health officer for the City of Victoria. Dr. and Mrs. Gayton were presented with a picnic hamper, complete for four, by members of the staff.

P.T.A. News

Ward Six—Regular monthly meeting of Ward Six P.T.A., which was to have been held tonight in Mount Newton High School, has been postponed until March 9.

B.C. Toy Club, monthly meeting, North Ward Community Hall, King's Road and Rose Street, Wednesday at 10.30 a.m. . . . Monthly meeting, St. Matthew's Guild, Wednesday, at the home of Mrs. R. Fraser, 38 Dunford Road, at 2 o'clock. . . . Regular meeting, Sir James and

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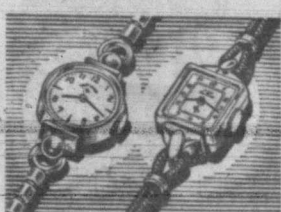
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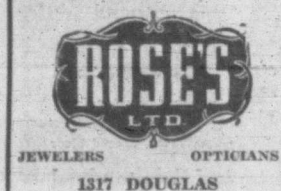
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Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. Lyall W. Beattie, 362 Davida Avenue, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Audrey Maxine, to Mr. Ralph Elden Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Smith, 872 Seven Oaks Road. The wedding will take place in the First Baptist Church on Wednesday, March 31, 1943, at 8 p.m., Rev. G. R. Easter officiating.

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MONTREAL (CP) — Busiest co-ed at McGill University these days is 24-year-old Moira Wedderburn, dance director of the college's annual show, the Red and White Review.

In addition to part-time work to supplement her savings, and her studies as a fourth-year student, Miss Wedderburn spends her free time training a chorus line of 16 attractive young ladies to rumba, samba, and tap dance—a job for which she's well qualified.

Born in Yorkton, Sask., the death of her father sent her at the age of eight to live with relatives in Scotland where she studied all forms of dancing.

Back in Canada in 1940 she finished collegiate in Ottawa and went into government work as a secretary. Her work took her from the National Film Board there to the Canadian Wartime Information Board in New York and back to the Department of External Affairs in Ottawa. Her evenings were devoted to dancing in troupe shows; her earnings she saved for college.

Pert, petite and cute enough to be in the chorus line herself, Miss Wedderburn is a veteran of the last two college revues in which she did solo work. But despite her love for dancing, after graduation she wants to do newspaper or advertising work. She'll continue dancing just as a hobby.

Club Calendar

Jill Tars Club members' rummage sale, Y.W.C.A., Thursday, at 8.

Ready-to-Help Circle, King's Daughters, regular meeting Wednesday at 2.45, in the club rooms. Ministering Circle, King's Daughters, Friday at 2.30, in the club rooms.

Neighborhood Club, especially for lonely people, Wednesday at 7.30, in Friends Meeting House, 1831 Fern Street. Regular monthly meeting, St. George's Church Guild, Cadboro Bay, Thursday at 2.30.

Ladies Auxiliary of the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans general meeting, Thursday at 7.45, new quarters, 1001 Wharf Street. Carne Rebekah Lodge, No. 45, I.O.O.F. Hall, Douglas Street, Thursday at 7.30. Card game to follow business session. Special guests, members of Colfax Rebekah Lodge, No. 1, and Victoria, No. 1, and Columbia, No. 2, Lodges, I.O.O.F.

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Victoria Violinist Happy In Chosen Musical Career

Backstage at the Royal Theatre, following the concert of the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra yesterday evening, three young boys, programs in hand, approached an attractive violinist to ask for her autograph. She graciously complied with the request, and signed her name—Patricia Straughan.

Pat, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Straughan, 2175 Beaver Street, Oak Bay, had just come off stage after the orchestra's fourth encore, and was tremendously thrilled to have played before such an appreciative audience in her own home town.

"Audience reaction does make a difference, even to professional musicians who have been playing for years," she said, "and I've never played before an audience like this before. It's wonderful."

All her life Pat's one dream has been to be a musician, preferably a concert violinist, and she is still studying to make her dream come true.

"Much as I love playing with the orchestra here, I still want to go back east to study. I thought of going to the States but new restrictions are making it rather difficult."

"Anyway, I want to be a Canadian violinist, and once you go to the States it seems you're considered an American artist," she pointed out.

Typical of more and more young Canadian artists, she feels that it is no longer necessary to leave the country to study, and hopes soon to have the opportunity of studying in Toronto.

At present she is a pupil of Garbovitsky in Vancouver. "He really makes me work," she smiled, "and I love it."

"It's a busy schedule for all of us in the orchestra," she explained. "We have a pops concert every Wednesday evening, a concert every second Sunday, and children's concerts as well as several appearances every season at U.B.C."

Prior to their Victoria appearance, the orchestra played in Everett and Bellingham, Washington.

"I'm tired out," Pat admitted, "and thank goodness I have a day off tomorrow so I can stay in Victoria for a bit of a rest." Pat was most enthusiastic about her work with the Vancouver symphony with its dynamic conductor Jacques Singer.

Dorothy Dix

MOTHER'S DUTY TO DAUGHTER

What should a mother teach her daughter? To worship God; to speak the truth; to keep herself clean, morally and physically; to accept her responsibilities in life, and to feel that something more is expected of her than just to be a dressed-up doll and a pretty plaything.

From the time the girl baby is old enough to understand anything at all, her mother should begin teaching her how to be a woman, with credit and profit to herself and pleasure to all who come in contact with her. For being a woman is no easy job and it takes a lot of knowhow and skill to make a success of it.

First, then, Mother should begin her basic treatment by trying to teach her daughter to be a lady, and to look like a lady, and act like a lady, and talk like a lady. Of course, to the bobby-soxers this will seem like something that Grandma brought down from a trunk in the attic. Most of them don't even want to be ladies. Their ambition is to be glamorous and to look sultry and as if they had just broken all of the Ten Commandments.

This may get them a good time for a little while, but be not deceived. It doesn't last. And it doesn't lead to the altar. When a man who is worth having gets married, he wants a lady for a wife, not a roughneck. Whether a girl wants to marry or to have a career, she can have no better asset than just being a lady.

Next, a mother should cultivate a pleasing personality in her daughter. That involves teaching a girl to control her temper and not to fly into rages over

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MISS PATRICIA STRAUGHAN

"He is just what the orchestra needed," she said, "and we all enjoy working with him, very much. Of course he gets furious with us during rehearsals, but it certainly gets results."

As well as her work with the symphony, she has found time to do several recitals over C.B.R., but claims she much prefers playing before an audience, rather than before "a cold impassive microphone."

Some of her own compositions have also been played over C.B.R.

"I wish I had more time for composing," the talented artist regrets. "Without exaggeration my whole life is music—there's just no time for anything else."

From her enthusiasm, it is perfectly obvious that she doesn't mind in the least.

Patricia Straughan was born in Weyburn, Sask., came to Victoria while still in elementary school, attended Oak Bay High School, then spent one year at Victoria College.

Her musical career began when she was given her first violin before she was five years old. In 1946 she was awarded the B.C. Institute of Music and Drama scholarship, left to study in Vancouver, and is now the youngest artist in the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra.

Lady Skirlers Have Own Band

MELBOURNE, Australia (CP) — An "all-woman" bagpipe band is gaining wide popularity here—especially among Scots and folks of Scots descent.

Organizer of the band, dark-haired Hazel McLaine, describes the bagpipes as "a beautiful instrument," although fairly difficult to learn. She thinks that women can become accomplished pipers if they practise faithfully.

Miss McLaine learned to play the bagpipes about 15 years ago, in the Port Melbourne Ladies' Pipe Band, a memorial group formed after the First World War, and the first women's pipe band in Australia. When it was disbanded in 1933, she formed the present band which plays mainly for charity.

The band consists of 25 girls—all with a "drop o' Scottish"—in their veins. Twelve are pipers and the rest drummers. They practise once a week and wear the McGregor tartan.

Miss McLaine describes the bagpipes as "temperamental"—the weather affects the reeds to a great extent, she says. For women pipers they are generally adjusted a little to make the tone lighter.

Monthly meeting, St. Matthew's Guild, at home of Mrs. A. Hincks, at 2.30 Wednesday afternoon. Special meeting, Zelotes Club and Victoria Business and Professional Women's Club, Thursday, at 8, in the clubrooms, 1210 Douglas Street. Guest speaker, Miss Dorothy Heneker, A.R.C.M., B.C.L., L.L.D.

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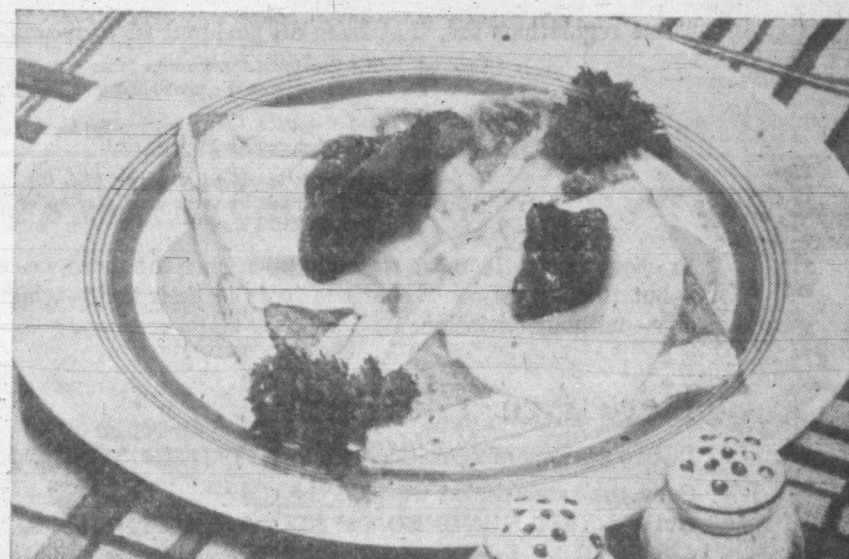
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The appointment was an appropriate one. Since the state of Nebraska is completely surrounded by other states, its navy will never go to sea. Neither will Mr. Gardiner.

The appointment, which is duly signed by Governor Val Peterson, and Chief Admiral Theodore Metcalfe, recognizes Mr. Gardiner's valor, fidelity and abilities, and gives him authority over the navy's officers, seamen, tadpoles and goldfish.

However, according to a dispatch from Montreal, Mr. Gardiner will continue to maintain his headquarters in the eastern Canadian city.

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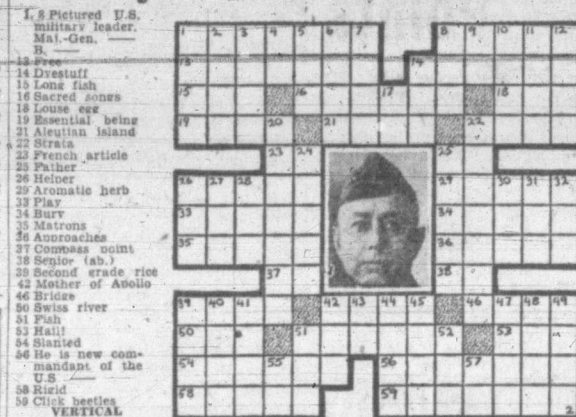
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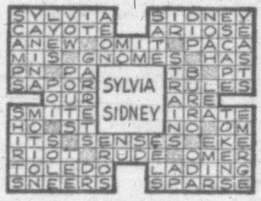
2 Years, Less Day For Home Robbery

Eugene William Hansen, who earlier pleaded guilty to a charge being one of those involved in the Christmas robbery of A. H. F. Stelck's home in Esquimalt, was sentenced to two years less one day in Okalla Prison Farm yesterday. He appeared before Magistrate H. C. Hall in Esquimalt police court for sentence.

Today's Crossword Puzzle



(Answer to previous puzzle)



Notice to Horsemen and Patrons of the Turf

The B.C. Turf & Country Club Ltd., operators of Lansdowne and Brighthouse Parks, reluctantly announces there will be no racing at Lansdowne Park this summer.

In making this statement we do so with genuine regret.

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Under The Circumstances...

Lansdowne or Brighthouse racetracks will not be open for training purposes this spring. This will be a hardship on Owners—and Breeders, the latter of whom have approximately SIX MILLION DOLLARS invested in the thoroughbred industry in this province.

It was our hope that a decision could be secured in the interest of Horsemen, Breeders, Patrons, Racing Operators—and even the Governments themselves.

**B.C. Turf &
Country Club Ltd.**

per

Al Hardy

MANAGING DIRECTOR

Three Bands To Play At Benefit For Fire Victim

Three Victoria dance bands have offered their services to play at Wednesday night's benefit dance to be held at the Crystal Garden in aid of a fund for the re-establishment of Mrs. Burton Smart and five of her seven children who lost practically all their clothing and possessions in the fire which last Thursday gutted their apartment in the old Shotbolt home.

The dance is being arranged by Mrs. Smart's co-workers at the Empress Hotel.

Bands donating their services for the dance are Bert Zala's, Wes Morris' and Ray Griffiths'. The orchestra will play alternately throughout the evening. The dance will start at 9 and admission will be 75 cents.

Dick Little, chairman of the Empress Hotel employees' committee which is collecting for the re-establishment fund, has appealed to the public to subscribe to the worthy cause. Donations can be made at the chief steward's office at the hotel.

Mrs. Smart is the sole support of her large family.

National Flag For Welsh Society

A large green and white flag with a red dragon, the emblem of Wales, was formally received by the Victoria Cymrodorion Society as its annual St. David's Day banquet held Monday night.

The flag was presented to Stanley James, president of the society, by E. C. Dawes, who arrived with the mayor of Newport, a large Welsh seaport, to send the gift here when he was overseas with the merchant navy during the war. With the flag was a letter from the Newport mayor wishing the Victoria Welsh good luck and expressing the hope the flag would wave over them for many years as a reminder of the land of their fathers.

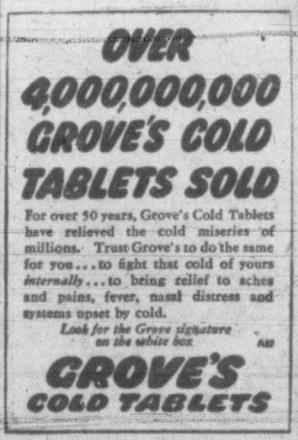
More than 200 persons attended the banquet meeting. A group of Welsh songs was presented by the Cambrian Glee Singers under the direction of J. Jones. The meeting was brought to a conclusion with the singing of "Hen Wlad Fy Nhadau" (Land of My Fathers) the Welsh anthem.



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Sports Mirror

By SONNY WALKER

VISIT of the Australian Rugby Union team, the Wallabies, to Victoria Saturday will probably bring back memories for members of the Victoria Rugby Union team which in 1912 defeated another Australian touring squad, "The Waratahs," 13 to 11. Newspaper accounts from the files of the Times of Nov. 28, 1912, describe the game as one of the most sensational matches ever witnessed in the Capital. In addition to defeating the visitors here a number of the Victoria players of that day played for the B.C. Rep team which blanked the Waratahs, 15 to 0, at Vancouver.

FULLBACK of the local club that memorable afternoon was the present premier of the province of British Columbia, Byron "Boss" Johnson. D. M. Grant, G. C. Grant, F. Gallier and Carew Martin performed on the three-quarter line. J. Shires and F. B. Champain were at half.



Backs with Ronald Gillespie, S. Gillespie, H. Heiney, R. Edwards, G. Milligan, E. Scott, H. Watkins and Milligan as forwards. Victoria took a 13 to 6 half time lead in that game but the visiting fifteen from the Antipodes almost pulled the game out of the fire in the final minutes with a terrific rally. Ronald Gillespie kicked a penalty.



goal for Victoria while Carew Martin, star of the game, scored two tries. G. C. Grant booted a drop goal for the locals' final tally.

PRESENT followers of the sport will remember the game in 1936 when Doug Peden scored a try against the New Zealand All Blacks at Macdonald Park. On that occasion, however, the visitors easily proved the better of the two squads but in bowing to defeat the local fifteen put up a terrific struggle. In 1925 Wally Brynjolfson scored against the New Zealand squad with a drop kick, in a game played at the Willows before a crowd estimated at 10,000.

WALLABIES turned in an easy victory over the Vancouver Lions Saturday and in so doing gave one of the finest polished displays of ball handling seen on the mainland in many a year. Tomorrow they take on the Varsity fifteen which is expected to provide them with their stiffest opposition. However the locals, victors over both Vancouver and Varsity, may prove to be a surprise packet, not that they will be expected to defeat the visitors but games of the past have proved that Victoria has always upheld its end of the game in matches against touring squads.

Baltimore—Jimmy Elvins, 185, Cleveland, knocked out Johnny Haynes, 214, Los Angeles (4).

Toronto Moves Into Hockey Lead



Toronto and Boston players skirmish during a game in Toronto which the home team won, 4 to 2. The victory put Toronto in first place in the National Hockey League standing.

O'Connor Four Points Up In Scoring Race

MONTREAL (CP)—Buddy O'Connor of New York goes into the final three weeks of the National Hockey League campaign with a four-point edge in the scoring race, but both Max Bentley of Toronto and Chicago's Bud Poile are red hot threats for top honors as well.

Official league statistics released today show O'Connor with 53 points on 23 goals and 30 assists. Max Bentley is four off the pace with 49, while Poile, who has been moving steadily up the ladder, now has 48.

Poile, a favorite for the right wing spot on the all-star team, was the biggest gainer during the week, collecting five points. Max Bentley earned three and O'Connor two.

The next four players on the list have to be rated a chance to take the jackpot as well. Montreal's Elmer Lach and Doug Bentley of Chicago are tied for fourth spot with 46 points apiece, while Gabe Stewart of Chicago and Jimmy McFadden of Detroit share sixth place with 45 points. Ted Lindsay of Detroit still tops the goal-getters with 28 markers and Max Bentley is second with 20. Doug Bentley of the Hawks and O'Connor head the assists column with 30 each.

Young Harry Lumley of Detroit has the best goal-against average among the loop's netminders and also leads in the race for the Vezina trophy.

Scoring leaders follow:	G.	A.	Pts.	Pen.
O'Connor, New York	23	30	53	8
Bentley, Toronto	22	27	49	14
Poile, Chicago	22	26	48	17
Lach, Montreal	14	32	46	12
Bentley, Chicago	16	30	46	13
Stewart, Chicago	21	25	46	10
McFadden, Detroit	22	23	45	10
Lindsay, Detroit	28	18	46	8
Anna, Toronto	19	24	43	12
Kennedy, Toronto	21	19	40	26
Conacher, Chicago	18	20	38	9
Richard, Montreal	18	20	38	8
Abel, Detroit	13	25	38	37
Morre, Detroit	12	26	38	37

Goalkeepers	G.	A.	Pct.	Av.
Lumley, Detroit	61	139	4	2.31
Brodie, Toronto	51	129	4	2.45
Dunn, Montreal	59	124	5	2.68
Brinsford, Boston	51	148	2	2.50
Francis, New York	40	124	1	3.10
Rayner, New York	18	55	0	3.56
Francis, Chicago	46	150	1	2.26

Brooklyn—Harold Green, 158, Brooklyn, stopped Chet Vleck, 156, Rome, N.Y. (6).

Oak Bay Greens Set Pace In Interhigh Soccer Loop

Ernie Costain's Oak Bay Greens continued to show the way in the Interhigh Soccer League yesterday when they posted their fifth straight triumph without defeat in league competition. Bays had a little more difficulty in winning yesterday, however, when they edged out Victoria High's House Three entry, 2 to 1, in a well-fought match.

Glen Smith opened the scoring for Greens when he snapped up a cross from Robert Kay to beat goalie Alan Marks in the V.H.S. citadel. Shortly before the half terminated, Norm Murphy squared the count for the city lads, Kay notched the deciding counter as a result of a goal-mouth scramble, and this set the stage for a determined scoring spree by Greens, but they could not find the right combination to produce. House Three pressed desperately in the dying minutes. Another 2 to 1 decision went to the runner-up Mount Douglas

Durnan Takes Riding From Montreal Fans; Threatened To Quit

MONTREAL (CP)—Goalie Bill Durnan of Montreal Canadiens, who was booed lustily by the crowd at Saturday's National Hockey League game here against Detroit and later threatened to quit hockey in the dressing room after the game, will be in the nets when the Canadiens meet Leafs in Toronto Wednesday, club officials said Monday.

Following the 5 to 2 loss to the Wings Saturday when Durnan was given a ride by the fans after he had fanned on a couple of soft shots, the four-time Vezina Trophy winner was reluctant to accompany the team to New York for Sunday's game against the Rangers.

On his return from New York, Big Bill went into a huddle with club officials, admitted that he had a letdown feeling after the reception given him by the Montreal fans, and announced he was all set to play out the season.

The 33-year-old netminder, considered one of the top goalies ever to don pads in the N.H.L., agreed to make the trip to New York where Canadiens were beaten 5 to 3 after a talk with coach Dick Irvin and general manager Frank Selke.

When asked about Durnan, Selke said: "He didn't want to go to New York. He asked me to get someone else. I told him there was no chance at that late hour; it would be impossible."

"When we talked things over I pointed out that he had had a long and brilliant career, and an honorable record, and he should finish out the season with us like the rest of the fellows were doing. He agreed."

John Hart Trophy Added To Cowichan Bay Club List

The John Hart Trophy has been added to the collection of trophies being gathered by the Cowichan Bay Club, reported vice-president Lee Hallberg. The trophy will go to the young miss of 16 years or under, who lands the largest coho of the year, on fly using rod and reel. The John Hart Trophy, like all other club trophies, will be a perpetual challenge trophy.

The up-island club now has a very impressive array of silverware. There are two Buena Vista Hotel trophies, one going to the lady, the other to the gent, landing the largest spring salmon. The Victoria Hudson Bay Company have put up a trophy for the lady angler landing the largest coho, while Henry Birks & Sons have established the Birks Trophy, for the man hooking the heaviest coho of the year. There is the Wilcuma Trophy for a boy, 16 years or under, taking the biggest coho of the season, and with the John Hart Trophy for the girls, this should entice the juveniles into real competition.

Buck Kennett, club president, has donated a trophy for the most coho taken on a Thursday afternoon. Last year Mr. Edward Lowe of Vancouver donated a beautiful perpetual challenge cup and replica for the largest coho taken by male or female angler.

Next executive meeting of the club will take place Wednesday at 8 at the Buena Vista Hotel.

Hockey Standings

	W	L	T	Pts.	Pen.
Toronto	17	13	128	125	67
Detroit	28	14	9	163	121
Chicago	19	22	12	137	186
Boston	18	23	10	126	148
Montreal	13	27	9	112	141
Canadiens	17	30	7	105	128
Chicago	17	30	7	105	128

Rep Team

Crimson Tide Rugby Squad Named

Victoria's Crimson Tide Rugby fifteen which will meet the Australian Wallabies here Saturday in the first international match to be staged in the city since the visit of the New Zealand All-Blacks in 1936 will in most respects be the same as the one that successfully defeated Vancouver Lions and Varsity Thunderbirds in the first two games of the McKechnie Cup series this year.

With some of the Rep players out of town on the R.C.N. cruise a few changes were expected and these have been carried out. Jim Ranson, inside three-quarter, who was injured in last J.B.A.A. game has been dropped from the starting line-up and will act as a spare for Saturday's match.

Art Hicks, J.B.A.A. wing three-quarter, will replace Ranson with

Dick Chunggranes moving to an inside position to allow for the change. Frank Gower, another member of the Bays will handle the other wing position. Harry Olsen of the Scottish will team up with Chunggranes at inside while fullback will be handled by vice-captain Tom McKeachie, whose kicking won the second McKechnie Cup game against Varsity.

BIDDLE CAPTAIN

Captain George Biddle, former Varsity star and a brilliant performer in league and McKechnie Cup play this season will handle five-eighths with Geoff d'Easum of Victoria College at the important scrum-half spot.

Al "Buck" Buckler of the Scottish will hook for the Tide while other front rank men will be

Harry Downs of the Bays and Jack Stevens of the Scottish, both of whom are big and rugged. Another veteran, Abbie Williams will team with teammate Ian Turner of the Bays at lock in the scrum. Dave Crockett of J.B.A.A. and lanky Bob Dunlop of College will be used in the role of break forwards while 220-pound Cliff Denham will play tail-up.

Acting as spare along with Ranson will be Ron Dakers of the Bays. Both men may see action in the game as rules for the match will allow substitution up to but not including half time. This is a special rule granted by the Australian team for matches in Canada.

Substitution can only be given when a player is injured and unable to carry on. Referee has

the sole power to allow such substitution.

Bill Gornall will handle the game. One Australian and one Victorian will handle the lines.

PLAY VARSITY

Wallabies wind up their tour of the mainland tomorrow with a match against Varsity at Varsity Stadium and will arrive in Victoria Friday. The team will remain here until Monday and will be entertained by the Victoria Rugby Union during their stay.

Ticket sales are reported to be going well but there are still a few hundred good seats available. Field will be roped off to give everyone at the match an opportunity of witnessing what should be the standout attraction to be presented here in the past decade.

Aces Win Cage Title In Rugged Encounter

For a team that has no floor on which to practice, Brentwood Aces certainly proved that it is no handicap when they captured the lower island senior B basketball title last night with a convincing 57 to 47 victory over the Duncan Legion squad to offset the up-islanders, 30 to 29, to win in the first games of the series.

Game produced plenty of excitement for the large crowd on hand, as the squads put on a rugged display with the result that a couple of real fist fights would have held sway had it not been for interference on the part of teammates.

Victors held a 13 to 9 lead at the end of the quarter and threw in an 18-point effort in the second quarter to walk off with a 31 to 22 lead at the interval. Pete Prest was the fair haired boy for Duncan in the third session, as he counted nine times while his squad out-pointed Brentwood, 15 to 6, to close the gap. Aces put the matter beyond doubt early in the finale, however, when three quick baskets gave them a comfortable margin. Sure-firing Dink Pearson again topped the scoring parade, counting 19 points for Duncan. Lou McCorkall topped Brentwood with 14.

CITY CHAMPIONS

Wally Yeaman's Eaglettes won the intermediate A girls' title when they took advantage of some late scoring to dump Comets, 34 to 23. Although Eaglettes held the lead most of the game, Comets looked their best early in the last canto when they closed the gap, 24 to 20, but the Yeaman-coached squad pulled away in the dying minutes. Jean Sufren led the point-makers with 10.

In the intermediate B tussle, Spencers defeated Duncan, 38 to 23, in the first game for the lower island crown, and Canadian Legion opened their quest for the lower island midge title with a handy 47 to 14 triumph over Lake Cowichan in the opening game of the card.

Teams and scores follow:
Duncan—Prest 15, McCorkall 4, Dink Pearson 14, Shaver 1, Allan 4, McKeachie 3, Kaitera 2, Ross 6, Yeaman 4, Petterson 2, Vallance 4, Sufren 10, Comets—McDonald 4, J. Bradshaw 4, D. Lach 3, Hancock 2, Clabby, Mair 1, Leggett, Mattison 1.
Duncan—Cochrane 4, Gard 2, Chatter 5, Mead 1, Leven 1, Leven 2, En. Roemer—Greiser 10, Griffin 9, Minnie Lake, Cowichan—Aldred 4, Dalman 2, Monti 1, Battling 5, Martin 1, Singh Campbell 4, Wallace 1, Prince Peterson Canadian Legion—Finn 11, Billars Woodlett 10, Hodges 2, Lawson 2, Bortland 12, Sanderson 6, Jackson 2, Garner 2.

Barbara Ann Unable To Visit Vancouver

VANCOUVER (CP)—Vancouver Skating Club officials, who hoped to have Barbara Ann Scott appear here Monday announced Canada's ice queen will be unable to make it.

The Minto Skating Club of Ottawa said she will be in Europe when the local ice show is given. On her return from Europe she will start a two-month exhibition tour, but it will only bring her as far west as Calgary.

Amateur Baseball Meeting Sunday

Annual meeting of the Victoria Baseball Association will be held at the Eagles Home, 751 View Street, Sunday at 10.30. It was announced by Tommy Restall, league secretary, today.

Election of officers and plans for the season will be the order of business. All teams are requested to have delegates present. Up-island delegates are invited.

New York—Chester Rico, 139, New York, outpointed Al Pennington, 132 Brooklyn (10).

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Pair of English rugby stalwarts who will appear here Saturday with the touring Australian rugby squad, the Wallabies, when they meet Victoria's Crimson Tide in an exhibition match at Macdonald Park. MacBride holds down a wing three-quarter position, while Piper will form the last line of defence for the visitors.

Mort Cooper Retires From Major Baseball

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—Pitcher Mort Cooper Monday asked New York Giants for voluntary retirement.

Horace Stonham, president of the club, said the request would be granted.

The Giants obtained the 34-year-old pitcher from Boston Braves last year in a trade for pitcher Bill Voiselle. Cooper won three games and lost 10 last season.

Trail Rink Tied For Lead In Dominion Curling Meet

CALGARY (CP)—Four rinks today will carry unblemished records into the third round of the Canadian curling championship, having scored double victories in the opening day's play yesterday.

Stacking themselves up as favorites for the Dominion throne occupied last year by Jimmy Welsh of the Winnipeg Deer Lodge Club, are Northern Ontario's Jimmy Guy of Kenora; British Columbia's Thoe (French) D'Amour of Trail, runner-up last year to Welsh; New Brunswick's Henry Hollis of Saint John, and Manitoba's George Sangster of Winnipeg Granite, all with two victories against no defeats.

Still in the running for premier honors are Jack Patrick and his Galt, Ont., quartette and Gerry Glinz of Sydney, N.S., both with an even split in their two opening matches.

At longer odds, but still holding an outside chance, are the first day's double losers—Gaston Amyot of Quebec's Jacques Cartier Club; Cliff Annable of Rosetown, Sask.; Billy McLaws of Cal-

Standings follow:	Won	Lost
Manitoba	2	0
Northern Ontario	2	0
British Columbia	2	0
New Brunswick	2	0
Ontario	1	1
Nova Scotia	1	1
Quebec	1	1
Prince Edward Island	0	2
Saskatchewan	0	2

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Torchy Peden Far Back In Six-Day Bicycle Grind

NEW YORK (AP)—An accident forced withdrawal of one of the riders Monday as the six-day bicycle race passed the 20-hour point with the Italian tandem of Alvaro Giorgetti and Angelo De Bacco maintaining their lead.

Early this afternoon Rene Cyr of the Canadian-Italian team and Bill Jacoby of the red devil pair collided in a jam-up at the 22nd Engineers' Armory's Broadway turn.

Jacoby's bicycle fell clear but the front wheel collapsed and the bike slid up the track. It hit the top guard rail and Jacoby slid down the bank.

Cyr, formerly of Montreal, was tossed violently but was unhurt. Jacoby suffered a severe hip injury and had to withdraw.

The Giorgetti-De Bacco team held a two-lap lead over the French-Greek team of Emile Ignat and Henri Surbatis after 37 miles.

Cyr and Ferdinand Grillo were third three laps behind the pace-setters and then followed the French tandem of Marcel Gumbretiere and Francis Grauss—five laps in arrears. Torchy Peden, formerly of Victoria, B.C., was in ninth place.

Gagnon Captures Featherweight Title

QUEBEC (CP)—Fernando Gagnon, hard-hitting Canadian bantamweight, last night lifted the Dominion featherweight crown from Hubert Gagnier of Montreal with a clean-cut knockout at 1:54 of the second round of a scheduled 12-rounder. Gagnon, a Quebec City boy, scaled 118½ to 124½ for Gagnier.

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Link Hockey Gambling With Senator's Death

LANSING, Mich. (AP)—Reports of a betting scandal in professional hockey and hints of new evidence in a long-un-solved slaying drew Michigan's top law enforcement officials and leading hockey men to a "tell all" conference with Governor Sigler today.

The conference resulted from published reports that Detroit police commissioner Harry S. Toy had obtained information of gambling by unidentified professional hockey players.

But the scope of the inquiry broadened to cover the 1945 slaying of the late state Senator Warren G. Hooper, as well as general hoodlum activity in the state.

President Clarence Campbell of the National Hockey League, manager Jack Adams of Detroit Red Wings and the Boston Bruins coach, Aubrey (Dit) Clapper, were on hand.

Arriving in Detroit from Chicago last night, Clapper said he had "no comment" on the reported betting.

"A lot of innocent boys are being kicked around for what one or two possibly did," he added. "Everything I say is being twisted."

Earlier, Weston Adams, president of the Bruins, was quoted as saying several of his players told him they were acquainted with James Tamer, reported to have placed bets on league games for two N.H.L. players while on parole from Southern Michigan prison.

The Bruins coach insisted, however, that his club's personnel "emphatically denied ever making bets with Tamer." Members of New York Rangers, another club mentioned by Toy, also have denied connection with the reported gambling.

Yakima Signs Two Good First-Sackers

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP)—The prospect of choosing between two capable first basemen will face the Yakima Packers when they go into spring training for the 1948 Western International League baseball race.

Packer president Dick Richards said Monday that the club has signed 19-year-old Vince Pascale, who batted over 300 in 15 games with the San Francisco Seals last year.

Previously the Packers bought Diamond Cecil, 21, from Salt Lake of the Pioneer League.

Clover Leafs Whip U.B.C. Chiefs

VANCOUVER (CP)—Vancouver Clover Leafs last night defeated U.B.C. Chiefs 68 to 56 in the first contest of a five-game provincial men's basketball semi-final series.

Winners here will meet the winners of the Victoria series between Y.M.C.A. and K.V.'s to represent British Columbia in the Dominion playoffs.

Teams and scores follow:
U.B.C. Chiefs—Abercrombie 6, Ball 5, Watt 6, Bossons 16, Capozzi 3, Subs: Walker 6, Jones 11, Bell 0, Broadhead 0, Fowler 2.
Clover Leafs—Bakken 15, Robertson 14, Franklin 8, Wynne 3, Burtwell 15. Subs: Watson 2, Henderson 0, Holden 4, Clog 7.
Halftime score, Clover Leafs 36, U.B.C. 20.

Reese, Stanky Sign Dodger Contracts

BROOKLYN (AP)—Branch Rickey brought two star Brooklyn Dodger hold-outs to terms—shortstop Pee Wee Reese and second baseman Eddie Stanky.

Stanky was reported to have demanded a \$20,000 contract. He got around \$14,000 last year and probably signed at a figure midway between these two.

Reese is reported to get close to \$20,000 and is top Brooklyn man in pay or close to it.

Signing of Reese and Stanky leaves only catcher Bruce Edwards missing from the roster.

TIDES

Mar.	Time	High	Low	Time	High	Low	Time	High	Low
2	10:00	6.00	2.10	11:30	2.50	10.00	1:00	10.00	6.00
3	10:10	6.00	2.10	11:40	2.50	10.00	1:10	10.00	6.00
4	10:20	6.00	2.10	11:50	2.50	10.00	1:20	10.00	6.00
5	10:30	6.00	2.10	12:00	2.50	10.00	1:30	10.00	6.00
6	10:40	6.00	2.10	12:10	2.50	10.00	1:40	10.00	6.00
7	10:50	6.00	2.10	12:20	2.50	10.00	1:50	10.00	6.00
8	11:00	6.00	2.10	12:30	2.50	10.00	2:00	10.00	6.00
9	11:10	6.00	2.10	12:40	2.50	10.00	2:10	10.00	6.00
10	11:20	6.00	2.10	12:50	2.50	10.00	2:20	10.00	6.00
11	11:30	6.00	2.10	1:00	2.50	10.00	2:30	10.00	6.00
12	11:40	6.00	2.10	1:10	2.50	10.00	2:40	10.00	6.00
13	11:50	6.00	2.10	1:20	2.50	10.00	2:50	10.00	6.00
14	12:00	6.00	2.10	1:30	2.50	10.00	3:00	10.00	6.00
15	12:10	6.00	2.10	1:40	2.50	10.00	3:10	10.00	6.00
16	12:20	6.00	2.10	1:50	2.50	10.00	3:20	10.00	6.00
17	12:30	6.00	2.10	2:00	2.50	10.00	3:30	10.00	6.00
18	12:40	6.00	2.10	2:10	2.50	10.00	3:40	10.00	6.00
19	12:50	6.00	2.10	2:20	2.50	10.00	3:50	10.00	6.00
20	1:00	6.00	2.10	2:30	2.50	10.00	4:00	10.00	6.00
21	1:10	6.00	2.10	2:40	2.50	10.00	4:10	10.00	6.00
22	1:20	6.00	2.10	2:50	2.50	10.00	4:20	10.00	6.00
23	1:30	6.00	2.10	3:00	2.50	10.00	4:30	10.00	6.00
24	1:40	6.00	2.10	3:10	2.50	10.00	4:40	10.00	6.00
25	1:50	6.00	2.10	3:20	2.50	10.00	4:50	10.00	6.00
26	2:00	6.00	2.10	3:30	2.50	10.00	5:00	10.00	6.00
27	2:10	6.00	2.10	3:40	2.50	10.00	5:10	10.00	6.00
28	2:20	6.00	2.10	3:50	2.50	10.00	5:20	10.00	6.00
29	2:30	6.00	2.10	4:00	2.50	10.00	5:30	10.00	6.00
30	2:40	6.00	2.10	4:10	2.50	10.00	5:40	10.00	6.00
31	2:50	6.00	2.10	4:20	2.50	10.00	5:50	10.00	6.00

SUNRISE and SUNSET
March 2—Rises 6:52; sets 18:01.

V.H.S., Tillicum Top Entry List In Swimming Gala

With 288 individual contestants competing, the twenty-third annual School Swimming Gala at the Crystal Garden Friday night should prove to be a real crowd pleaser as far as competition is concerned, as swimmers from almost every elementary and high school in the city will be taking part.

In the team events, the Canadian Legion Cup competition, put up for the grades seven and eight boys' relay squad has drawn the most entries with 13 squads participating. The Pender Cup competition for the grades seven and eight girls' relay race has 10 entries.

Entry list from the elementary schools follows: Tillicum 26, Lampson 22, St. James Douglas 18, Margaret Jenkins 16, South Park 15, North Ward 13, Craigflower 13, Quadra 13, Monterey 12, Vie West 11, Oaklands 10, MacKenzie Avenue 10. Less than 10 entries have been received from each of the following: George Jay, Tolmie, Burnside, Strawberry Vale, and Saanichton.

Victoria High School tops the high school entries with 26 contestants, and is followed by Oak Bay with 22. Central Junior High has 18, Esquimalt High 13, and Mount View 2.

In all, there are 18 events, and the elementary school finishing with the largest aggregate of points will receive the Victoria Amateur Swimming Club Trophy while the high school computing the Sir Edward Beatty Trophy.

First event is slated to start at 7:30.

Church Basketball Results, Schedule

Results of games played last week in the Church Basketball League, and the schedule for this week follows:

Results — Junior boys: St. John's 17, Oak Bay United 12. Intermediate boys: Christ Church 40, St. John's 23; St. Saviours 35, Oak Bay United 24; First Baptist 31, Evangelicals 20; Christ Church 36, First Baptist 33; Evangelicals 35, St. John's 26.

Schedule—Junior boys: March 4, Christ Church at First Baptist; March 5, First Baptist at St. John's; Intermediate boys: March 3, First Baptist at St. John's; March 4, St. John's at Oak Bay United.

Carl Liscombe Sets Hockey Scoring Mark

NEW YORK (AP)—Scoring 10 points in two games during the week Carl Liscombe of Providence Reds boosted his output to 101 points—an American Hockey League record.

The sharp-shooting left winger of the Reds has collected 44 goals and 57 assists and enjoys a 14-point edge over his nearest competitor, Cliff Simpson of Indianapolis.

Liscombe's 101 points surpasses the mark of 99 rung up by Wally Kilrea for Hershey Bears in the 1942-43 season.

Liscombe also tops the parade in goal-getting while centre Walt Stefaniw of Philadelphia has drawn the most assists, 61, official statistics showed today.

Leading scorers follow:
Liscombe, Providence 44, 57, 101
Simpson, Indianapolis 43, 57, 100
Fraser, Providence 39, 48, 87
Glavin, St. Louis 32, 48, 78
Grosz, St. Louis 31, 42, 74
Courteau, Springfield 29, 40, 74
Demarco, Cleveland 20, 54, 74

Musial, Walker Head List Of Holdouts

NEW YORK (AP)—At least 26 players were still unsigned today as the 16 Major League clubs began the second day of their 1948 spring training program.

Heading the lists of hold-outs are Stan Musial, hard hitting first sacker of St. Louis Cardinals and Harry Walker of Philadelphia Phillies, National League batting champion.

Musial, who paced the league in batting in 1946, finished with a .312 mark in 1947.

Walker is reported to be seeking \$25,000.



2 Victoria Liquor Stores Did \$3,908,891 Business In Year

Victoria's two liquor stores did a total business of \$3,908,891 during the 12 months ended last March 31.

The Esquimalt liquor store sold \$891,239 worth of liquor and beer.

In Victoria the Johnson Street store did \$2,015,374 worth of business—more than any other store in this area. The Humbolt Street store sold stock worth \$1,893,516.

The store at 230 Hastings Street East in Vancouver did the largest liquor business in the province of any store selling directly to the public. Its total sales were \$4,571,117. British Columbians also bought \$407,045 worth of liquor by mail.

Sales of other stores on Van-

couver Island for the period were as follows: Port Alberni \$731,612, Zeballos \$61,030, Courtenay \$349,415, Cumberland \$155,545, Campbell River \$279,080, Parksville \$76,140, Qualicum \$85,927, Duncan \$539,211, Ladysmith \$331,560, Nanaimo \$893,125, Sidney \$181,148.

Four hundred and fifty persons in Victoria were charged under the Liquor Act and of these 10 received suspended sentence, one was dismissed, 169 were sent to jail, 11 were fined, and 159 forfeited bail. Fines totaled \$6,400 and bail estimated \$4,125.

Net profit realized in the sale of liquor in Victoria and Esquimalt stores totaled \$1,452,677.

Liquor Sales In B.C. Climb To Unprecedented \$47,961,515

British Columbians spent more on liquor during the Liquor Control Board fiscal year ended last March 31 than any other year in history and statement of the board for the first six months of the year to end next March 31 indicated the liquor bill of the province would be still higher.

Sales for the fiscal year ended last March 31 totaled \$47,961,515, an increase of \$9,218,059 over the previous period. During that year the net profit totaled \$14,634,291.

For the six-month period ended last Sept. 30, sales to the public totaled \$26,257,720. Net profit for that period was \$7,531,030, comparing with \$6,343,205 for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1946.

During 1946-47 British Columbians spent \$28,594,839 on wines

and spirits and \$19,366,674 on malt liquors. During the previous fiscal year \$21,198,130 was spent on wines and spirits and \$17,564,324 on malt liquors.

Of the total liquor bill for 1946-47, \$8,552,501 went to the federal government in duty, excise and sales taxes.

Permits issued during that period to individuals totaled 349,169, compared with 549,913 during the previous fiscal year.

Summary of prosecutions under the Government Liquor Act showed a total of 7,793 for the fiscal year 1946-47. Of this total 2,957 persons received suspended sentence, 122 charges were dismissed, 1,428 went to jail and 2,719 paid fines. Bail was estimated for the remaining 567. Fines totaled \$135,785 while the estimated bail totaled \$12,635.

Government House Costs B.C. \$36,399

Cost to the provincial government of maintaining Government House during the 12 months ended last March 31 was \$36,399.

The light bill was \$2,144 while the water bill, paid to the city, was \$691. Fuel cost \$2,922. Repairs cost \$5,629, while expenses including furniture and supplies cost \$5,517. Maintaining the gardens, including salaries, was \$32,485.

The telephone bill was \$721.

Dennis L. Heard, Port Arthur, will report on the national convention of the National Association of Marine Engineers to local members at a special meeting at 8 Wednesday night in 402 Union Building.

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U.B.C.M. Will Keep Pressing For Sales Tax For Education

The Union of B.C. Municipalities intends to continue pressing the provincial government for relief of education costs, and to apply for further appointments with the cabinet until a solution is found to the knotty problem of municipal and education finances.

Mayor Percy George said today after a conference with Mayor W. M. Mott of New Westminster, president of the U.B.C.M.

Mayor George, who is first vice president of the U.B.C.M., said they discussed what their next move would be, as the great majority of the municipalities cannot finance in the face of steeply rising costs in every civic field.

Parliament Buildings Maintenance Bill \$218,191 For Year

Maintenance of the Parliament Buildings and grounds here during the 1946-47 fiscal year cost the provincial government a total of \$218,191, public accounts tabled in the B.C. Legislature this afternoon showed.

Salaries of the heating plant employees, mechanical staff, janitors, watchmen and ushers, along with the head gardener and assistant gardener totaled \$83,898.

Operation of the heating plant cost \$22,622 but \$6,566 of this was charge against the King's Printer. Fuel and sundry wages cost \$20,817.

The power bill was \$19,872, while the water bill amounted to \$2,046. Telephone cost \$18,338.

The remainder of the total was made up of wages for gardeners and cost of supplies for the gardeners and supplies for janitors, incidental items and repairs.

R.V.Y.C. Delegates Back From Seattle

Royal Victoria Yacht Club delegates who went to Seattle last week to attend preliminary meetings of the Pacific International Yachting Association which will hold its annual regatta at Victoria July 1 to 4 have now returned to the city.

The delegates included Andrew Wright, R.V.Y.C. commodore; Max Young, rear commodore; Alfred Evans, fleet captain; Ned Ashe, Hunter Vogel, E. Liersch and F. McLeod.

During their visit to Seattle the delegates visited the Seattle boat show which they report as one of the outstanding boat exhibitions in the Pacific Northwest. There was a paid attendance of 50,000 at the show.

The Victoria yachtsmen report that even large sailing models of 33 feet were displayed in the Seattle Armories with sails rigged. Some of the craft were hung by wires from the ceiling and fans were operated to belly out the sails.

Alfred Carmichael has written the City Council asking permission to establish a parking lot on property adjacent to the Baptist Church on Pandora Avenue.

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Funeral Notice
The funeral of the late Comdr. Arthur Threlkeld, 2nd C.M.R., will take place Wednesday afternoon, March 3, at 2 p.m., from the Thompson Funeral Home.
Members of Britannia Branch No. 7, Canadian Legion, R.E.S.L., and Ladies Auxiliary are requested to attend.
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Named 'Miss Leap Year' At 'Y' Dance



Arnold Ramer bestowing the title of "Miss Leap Year" on Miss Janet Walde at the Saturday night dance at the Y.M.C.A. Don Chadderton, right, was named "Mr. Leap Year" by Miss Elaine Silburn.

Singer Lifts Symphony To Its Finest Heights

By AUDREY ST. D. JOHNSON

Magnificent thunderings and lightnings of great music filled the Royal Theatre for a stimulating two hours Monday night.

Jacques Singer and the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra had chosen for their concert—the fourth in the Victoria Symphony Society's season—a program that was entirely virtuosic in effect, though certainly not lacking in the deeper elements of musical significance.

The Vancouver organization, now on a full-time professional basis, working hard and playing constantly—this was their fifth concert within a week—is in an enviable advantageous position, the results of which are clear in their rapidly advancing efficiency and power. The audience, which packed the theatre paid enthusiastic vocal tribute to the vigor and breadth of Mr. Singer's conducting and the rich savor of the music.

BRILLIANT PERFORMANCE

The Beethoven Seventh, considered by some, including the composer, the greatest of his symphonies, formed the heart of the program. The choice was a happy one, for it revealed completely the orchestra's brilliance and the particular gifts of the director. The vitality which is implicit in the score, the wild, joyous abandon of the fourth movement, the compelling dance-like rhythms, would rarely find a fuller interpretation. It is impossible to her a profounder, more thoughtful reading of the second movement, but it would be mere sophistry to claim that this section was unsatisfying. It is out of the question that one could hear the rich sonority of the brass-baritone voices of the orchestra, singing the opening theme, and remain unmoved. It was in third, the scherzo movement, that the greatest effect was obtained. Here the music was truly a scintillating, living element; Singer's expressive hands conjuring astonishing tempo, nuance, color and contrast from his musicians.

The furious clashes of Montagu and Capulet in Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet" served again to display the technical and dynamic reaches of all sections of the orchestra. Building in great climaxes, Singer appeared to call on every resource at his command so that one felt that no extreme of triple force had been left unexplored. The effect was to batter the audience into breathless admiration long before the final climax had been reached, and to have little additional in the way of big guns for that ultimate moment. However, the epic grandeur was there and as for the poignant love passages, they were exquisitely and stirringly performed.

Three dances from Khatchaturian's wonderful "Gayane" Ballet supplied the modern theme. A soft, dream-like mood, an otherworldly beauty was created by the "Dance of the Rose Maidens." In startling contrast, the "Sabre Dance" was a wildly barbaric, electrifying display of orchestral virtuosity. "Pugue for Violins" by a contemporary composer, violinist Dubensky, was an interesting, musically sound novelty that brought the string section and concert master Albert Steinberg into prominence. Also included in the program was the "Oberon" Overture and Tchaikovsky's "Marche Slav."

In response to the eager enthusiasm of the audience, Mr. Singer added three encores, preceding each with some friendly conversation with his listeners as to what they would like. His easy, pleasant manner elicited many suggestions but it is amusing to note that the selections played were quite naturally arranged. They were, "Valse Triste" of Tchaikovsky, "Red Cavalry Overture" and Bach's G Minor Fugue, the latter being one of the evening's finest performances.

Hudson's Bay Company are to be congratulated on their sponsoring of one of the season's most stimulating concerts.

A sum of \$333, the balance allegedly due to him for work done in accordance with a verbal contract, was claimed today in Country Court by Stanley H. McFarlin, a flooring contractor, from Laurence Moore, 2920 Rutland Road. The case is being heard before Judge H. H. Shandley. W. R. McIntyre is counsel for the plaintiff. A. P. Dawe is acting for the defendant.

James Conley was sentenced to three months in jail by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court today when he appeared for sentence on a conviction for theft of \$60 from a garage at 813 Douglas Street last week. Magistrate Hall said he would be lenient in view of representations made on accused's behalf. He warned of stiffer punishment if the defendant ever appeared before him again on a similar charge.

Resignation Of Benes As Czech President Denied

PRAGUE (AP)—President Eduard Benes remains under the care of his personal physician, and his scheduled return to Prague Thursday still is uncertain, the Information Ministry said today.

A ministry spokesman termed "stuff and nonsense" a London Evening News story that Benes had resigned and that the Communists now in control of the government were keeping the resignation secret.

Benes is at the presidential country home at Sezimovo Usti, the ministry said.

SAYS VIOLENCE FEARED
LONDON (AP)—The London Evening News said today in a dispatch telephoned from Prague that President Eduard Benes of Czechoslovakia had resigned. "Communists have not yet allowed the resignation to be made public for fear of a violent reaction among the people," the Evening News said.

The British Press Association reported that an official at the Czechoslovak embassy had denied the resignation report, saying: "We are authorized to say that

\$35,000 Cost For Single Delinquent, Meeting Informed

It costs society \$35,000 to provide for one child who continues through life a delinquent, Miss Rae Kirkendale, secretary of the Intermunicipal Committee for the Juvenile Foster Home, said Monday evening at the annual meeting. This sum, she said, would buy and operate the home for 10 to 14 years, and if only one child was prevented from a life of crime the expenditure would be justified.

Ald. Margaret D. Christie was re-elected chairman of the committee. Miss Kirkendale was re-elected secretary.

Miss Kirkendale reported 24 admissions during the eight-month period the home has been operating. Some of the children faced serious charges and were helped by psychiatrist, psychologist, probation officer, and social workers. "Children know no boundaries in Greater Victoria," she commented. "We are hopeful that Oak Bay and Esquimalt will see their way clear to share fully in this important phase of our child welfare program."

Ald. Christie reported the committee would meet Oak Bay council Wednesday to try and have that municipality participate in the scheme. "We feel we have saved many boys and girls and has set them on the right road to being decent citizens," she said.

Magistrate Henry C. Hall said the committee was to be commended as there is no similar organization in Canada to his knowledge.

Red Cross Sponsor First Aid Classes

Under the sponsorship of the Canadian Red Cross Society, first aid is now being taught as a regular part of the curriculum at Canadian universities. It was announced today by Dr. Harvey Doney, national first aid director of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

A first aid course was started at the University of British Columbia Feb. 2. At the Vancouver Normal School, where a first aid course was inaugurated earlier, there are now 270 student-teachers enrolled.

"Red Cross looks to members of this group to be volunteer instructors in first aid when their various activities take them into groups and environments hitherto not touched by first aid instruction," Dr. Doney said.

He noted 8,000 Canadians die violent deaths annually, while 450,000 more suffer injuries as the result of accidents. "The Red Cross aims to cut down this toll of accidents by making first aid training readily available to Canadians everywhere. To curb the rising death rates on highways, highway first aid posts have been established in eight provinces," the doctor said.

Part of the \$3,000,000 objective in the Canadian Red Cross campaign this month will go to extend this first aid service. Of the national objective, British Columbia is expected to contribute \$300,000. Greater Victoria's quota in the drive is \$40,000.

Building permits have been issued to R. Rain to build a 4-room house at 220 Maddock Street, \$5,000; to J. Worthington to make \$10,000 repairs to stores at 531-3 Herald Street; and to W. Kent to build a 4-room house at 315 Langford Street, \$6,000.

No Reason To Fear Future In B.C., Reports Minister

British Columbians should have little reason to fear the future providing they are all willing to work and pull together, Trade and Industry Minister L. H. Eyres said Monday night.

"The future of British Columbia can never be in doubt if each one of us is prepared to share the burden necessary to bring about the expansion and development of this great province," he said in a 15-minute radio address over CBC provincial stations. "This is our job—yours and mine. Let us therefore bend ourselves to the great task which lies ahead."

IMPORTANCE OF RESEARCH

He stressed the importance of research not only in solving production problems of British Columbia industries but also in enticing new industries to locate in the province. He told of the work of the British Columbia Research Council, of which he is chairman, and of the regional development work of the provincial government, which comes under the jurisdiction of his department.

"In the initial stage of regional development we are setting out to make an inventory of the 'stock in trade' of this great province and we hope to display that inventory in a way that cannot fail to impress those both from outside the province as well as our own people, of the great opportunities that are within our province for those who are seeking new and fertile fields of industrial endeavor," he said.

PRICELESS THING

"There is, however, one priceless thing that British Columbians possess in large measure, and that is an abiding confidence in themselves and their faith in the fundamental stability of their country—and especially their own province. When we consider the heritage with which Divine Providence has blessed us, British Columbians should have little reason to fear the future providing we are all willing to work and pull together."

The minister said that there were many opportunities equal

to those of manufacturing existing in many communities in the province in the field of trades and services. He mentioned specifically catering to the tourist trade, saying this may offer a better kind of expansion for certain towns than any factory they might obtain.

SMALLER COMMUNITIES

"The regional development division is especially designed and set up to assist our smaller communities in playing their part in what we hope may eventually lead to province-wide industrial expansion in the years ahead into the interior sections of British Columbia," he said.

The speaker emphasized that industry would tend to locate in those communities whose leaders can provide accurate up-to-the-minute information concerning the basic factors which permit industry to evaluate the resources for industrial development of a given area or community.

"Research is a big factor in the industrial development of our province," he said. "I firmly believe that research and statistical information on our natural resources should be properly coordinated, broadened and made more widespread, not only to the provincial service, as a whole, but to other public agencies, industry, labor—organizations, business and our citizens generally."

War-time Cablelaying Subject Of Address

The story of laying deep-sea cable in wartime will be told by J. L. Thacker, first officer of the cableship Restorer in an address to be given at Royal Victoria Yacht Club at 8:30 Thursday evening. R.V.Y.C. officials reported today.

Mr. Thacker was with the Restorer when she followed the U.S. forces through the Pacific campaign, restoring disrupted communications as areas were taken back from the retreating Japanese.

The yacht club invites the public to attend the lecture.

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Shot By Man, Woman Near Death

TORONTO (CP)—A trail of broken homes and shattered romances was revealed by police today as Mrs. Margaret (Mickey) Meredith, pretty 25-year-old former army show songstress, lay near death. Her brain was pierced by a bullet which police charged was fired by her former lover, a part-time piano player who doubled in coal heaving.

The Montreal-born pianist, Leslie Davidson, was arrested Monday night, an hour and 40 minutes after horrified diners in a downtown restaurant had witnessed the point-blank shooting of the waitress, estranged from her husband.

Police arrested Davidson in a west-end club, where he was

hanging out a melody, and charged him with attempted murder.

Police said Davidson and Mrs. Meredith had quarrelled and last week they were told he had beaten her up after she had refused to go back to him.

In magistrate's court today he was remanded to March 10 and a mental examination was ordered.

Police said the man loitered around the restaurant for an hour before the shooting, repeatedly asking the girl to go out with him again.

Finally, as she answered a telephone call at the rear of the room, he strode over to her, exchanged words and whipped out a large black revolver from his coat.

Mayor Not Backing Business Tax Plan

VANCOUVER (CP)—Mayor Charles Jones has refused to sign a proposed business tax here because: "I can't allow myself to be influenced by outside business interests as to what should be the yardstick with which to measure the amount of the tax."

The proposed plan was referred back to the civic finance committee. The seven-man committee had recommended that businesses be classified for the tax for 1948 only, and that no rate exceeding 16 per cent of rental value be employed in computing the tax.

The committee had also suggested \$2,200,000 be set as the tax goal.

Mayor Jones criticized the proposals that would gear the tax to obtain a stated return.

Bond Causes Arrest

VANCOUVER (CP)—Police here arrested a 21-year-old laborer after officers had learned that a young man, answering the description of the suspect, had tried to cash a \$100 Victory Bond which was part of the loot of a \$2,100 burglary at the Dunbar Pharmacy last week-end. The loot was largely in bonds, but also included cash, a cheque and postal notes.

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Housing, Beef Cattle Exports, Trans-Canada Highway Debated

OTTAWA (CP)—The government's housing policies came in for criticism and defence as the Throne Speech debate, touching on a half-dozen themes, was resumed Monday in the Commons.

The debate, expected to be concluded this week, also produced protests against the government's embargo on beef cattle shipments to the United States and a suggestion that the Dominion undertake the building of a paved Trans-Canada Highway.

Speakers included W. R. Aylesworth, P.C., Frontenac-Addington, Ont.; John Blackmore, S.C., Lethbridge, Alta.; Joseph W. Burton, C.C.F., Humboldt, Sask., and Alistair Stewart, C.C.F., Winnipeg North.

Trade Minister Howe first told the House the government will continue until July 31, 1949, its present support prices of 61 1/2 cents a bushel for No. 1 feed oats and 30 cents a bushel for No. 1 feed barley, both in store.

Defence Minister Claxton said he hoped to be able to make an announcement within a few weeks on the industrial defence board being established to advise the government on industrial organizations.

Mr. Stewart urged the government to embark on a program of subsidized dwellings to provide decent living quarters for those earning depressed wages and called for the establishment of a government department devoted to problems in the housing field.

Mr. Aylesworth called for the lifting of the embargo on beef shipments to the United States and said its removal would lower prices in the U.S. and assist the United Kingdom, which now had to pay world meat prices on the Chicago market.

Mr. Blackmore also urged removal of the beef embargo, arguing that producers in western Canada now were getting 15 cents a pound for their beef when they needed 17 cents to make a profit at current costs of production.

Mr. Burton proposed the federal government undertake the building of an all-weather paved highway from coast to coast which should have northern and southern arteries in the prairie regions.

DECONTROL MEASURES

He said his constituents were sharply critical of the government's policies and he would have no hesitation in supporting the C.C.F. motion of non-confidence in the administration.

Moved earlier in the debate, it charges the government has failed to use its power to curb high living costs.

He renewed demands for the shipment of more wheat through the Manitoba port of Churchill and the establishment of a shipping route between Churchill and the Maritime ports.

Prime Minister King told the House the approaching Easter recess will extend from March 24 to March 30. He also said the United Kingdom again had declined to agree to the tabling of all evidence of the royal commission which inquired into the Hongkong defence.

Stop Third War Before It Starts, Says Vandenberg Urging Quick Aid

WASHINGTON (AP)—Speedy approval of the Marshall Plan to help stop World War III before it starts, was urged by Senator Arthur Vandenberg (Rep-Mich.)

Opening an historic debate Monday on the \$5,300,000,000 aid-to-Europe Bill, the foreign relations committee chairman said the United States must "light the beacon" of freedom in a world menaced by "aggressive Communism."

"But if that beacon is to be lighted at all, it had better be lighted before it is too late," the Michigan senator warned.

Already, he said, Czechoslovakia has been "gagged by subversive conquest" and "the kindred fate of brave little Finland" hangs in the balance.

Meanwhile a \$300,000,000 recovery program to make Japan a self-supporting "bulwark against Communism" was recommended to the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee.

The proposal came from William Montgomery McGovern, a Northwestern University professor who made a special tour of the Orient as a committee consultant.

The committee itself:

1. Decided to lump European aid and in the same bill with administration proposals for \$375,000,000 in military backing to Greece and Turkey and \$570,000,000 in non-military aid to China.

2. Invited Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Gen. Claire Chennault to give their views, either in person or by correspondence, on aid to China and "other critical areas in the Far East."

Chairman Charles Eaton of the foreign affairs group said the foreign aid picture is "confused beyond measure" by the administration's various proposals.

The Nova Scotia-born Eaton told reporters "we have no permanent foreign policy based on obligations to ourselves and to mankind."

Another Blizzard In South Alberta

CALGARY (CP)—Southern Alberta was caught in the grip of another crippling blizzard today—the second in less than a week—as a 40-mile-an-hour wind piled huge drifts across highways, blocking bus travel and causing some disruption to railway schedules.

Roads which had just been cleared from deep drifts after last Friday's blizzard, were blocked again overnight and rotary snowplows were held in Calgary because it was impossible to work while the snow was still drifting.

The storm extends from Calgary south to Lethbridge and weather officials issued a warning that continuous snow and wind would continue during the afternoon, with light snow during the evening. The mercury is expected to drop to 3 below zero in Calgary tonight.

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Oils, Industrials Recover

NEW YORK (AP)—Buying of oils and assorted industrials gave the stock market another selective recovery tilt today although the move was far from unanimous.

Prices were best in the forenoon when commodities bulged. The latter finally stumbled and the stock division faltered here and there. While gains of fractions to a point or so were well distributed near the close, numerous losers remained.

Down Jones closing averages:
30 Industrials 168.75, up .61
20 rails 50.02, up .22
13 utilities 31.78, up .05
65 stocks 61.17, up .21

Total sales 770,000 shares.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

Close	Change
Alkali Chemicals	171-1/2
American Can	40-1/2
American Tobacco	69-3/4
American Smelter	10-1/2
American Tel. and Tel.	15-1/2
American Woolen	10-1/2
Armstrong Cork	10-1/2
Armstrong Steel	10-1/2
B. and O. Railway	32-1/2
Bethlehem Steel	32-1/2
Canadian Pacific Railway	32-1/2
Chrysler	32-1/2
Du Pont	32-1/2
Eastman Kodak	32-1/2
General Electric	32-1/2
General Motors	32-1/2
Goodrich Tire	32-1/2
Inter. Harvester	32-1/2
Inter. Paper	32-1/2
Inter. T. and T.	32-1/2
Inter. Nickel	32-1/2
Johns-Manville	32-1/2
Kennecott Copper	32-1/2
Lockport	32-1/2
Low's Theatre	32-1/2
National Biscuit	32-1/2
Par-A-Motion Airways	32-1/2
Paramount Pub. Co.	32-1/2
Procter & Gamble	32-1/2
Republic Steel	32-1/2
Schneider Steel	32-1/2
Schlumberger	32-1/2

Preferred Stocks

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Abitibi (182.50)		79
Do.		100
A. Tel. (100 par)	4 1/2	100
B.C. Electric	4	113
B.C. Telephone	4	96
Calgary Power	4	96
Can. Brew.	4	100
Can. Bronze	4	100
Can. Celanese (81.75)	5	35 1/2
Can. Utilities	5	100
Can. Zinc (100 par)	5	100
Dom. Maltins	5	102
Donnacona	4 1/2	101
Exmen	4 1/2	102 1/2
G.S. Wares	5 1/2	103 1/2
Howard Smith (50 par)	4	48 1/2
Imp. Tobacco (125 par)	4	24 1/2
Imperial Oil (100 par)	4	100
Ottawa Power	6	107 1/2
Power Corp.	6	107 1/2